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1 A The expiration date on the bottle,
2 on the product. This letter --

3 MR. BLIZZARD: This is the
4 original exhibit, so if we could switch
5 out.

6 MR. PETTIT: I'll show you the
7 original, and then I can mark up this
8 one.

9 BY MR. PETTIT:

10 Q Were you going to finish saying
11 something? It sounded like you were saying
12 something else.

13 A I was just commenting that the
14 document -- this is a letter that Mylan sent
15 out, not Actavis.

16 Q I understand that.

17 A Oh, okay.

18 Q But you sent it, meaning Actavis
19 sent it over your signature, to Mylan?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And then do you have any knowledge,
22 personal actual knowledge that Mylan sent this
23 letter out?

24 A Product came back. So I'm not sure

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1 what your question is.

2 Q My question is whether or not
3 products came back for some reason. Do you
4 know whether this actual letter went out from
5 Mylan to someone else?

6 A I would not be -- I wouldn't
7 participate in that activity, so no.

8 Q Did you ever ask anyone at Mylan or
9 did Mylan ever tell you that it went out?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Who did you speak to at Mylan?

12 A I didn't speak to anyone directly,
13 but the information was conveyed back to me
14 mainly because that's why I recognize
15 Stericycle, because the product that they were
16 bringing back went to a different third party
17 for the recall. So ours was -- if you look at
18 my original draft, that information for the
19 return is different.

20 Q And just because this is a different
21 numbered exhibit, you're looking at the third
22 page -- or the second page of the document?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And that's your signature; correct?

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1 A No, that's not my signature.

2 Q Someone signed for you?

3 A Someone -- I don't recognize the
4 signature. It says someone's name for and it
5 uses my name, but it's not my signature.

6 Q Is that a practice that you followed
7 at some point in 2008, that someone could sign
8 a formal document?

9 A As I said before, this appears to
10 be -- it appears to me that this document was
11 Mylan's document, that it was altered to
12 include their information. And I don't
13 recognize the signature.

14 Q Okay. I'd like you to take as long
15 as it takes for you to read that
16 one-and-a-half-page letter and tell me if
17 there's anything in it that you would not sign
18 sitting here today.

19 A That I would not?

20 Q That you would not sign, that
21 there's something that you would be unhappy
22 that your signature was, in fact, on the
23 second page.

24 A It doesn't have the attachment with

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1 the lot numbers. But other than that, it
2 seems to be a document that I would sign, yes.

3 Q Okay. And you're referring to the
4 fact that Exhibit 113, which Mr. Blizzard
5 showed you, had a list of the batches;
6 correct?

7 A Yes. And this refers to the --
8 actually it says the product labels, but
9 they're not attached.

10 Q But the actual substance of this
11 one-and-a-half-page letter is correct and
12 accurate?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Now, if this letter went out around
15 April 30th or May 1st, somewhere in that time
16 period, that would be three weeks after you
17 made a commitment that there was a probable
18 Digitek recall on April the 9th, 2008;
19 correct?

20 A The timing you're referring to is
21 correct, but my statement was to a colleague
22 about where I thought we were headed with the
23 digoxin review.

24 And from what I can recall, that

1 time period after -- there were a number of
2 other products that the Agency was looking at
3 that Actavis committed to recall. And that
4 pretty much wrapped up around April 9th where
5 I put it in writing that we were going to
6 recall those other products.

7 When we got to that point, Erin had
8 moved off of those products and was starting
9 to look at other products, Digitek being one
10 of them. So April 9th was when -- around the
11 time frame when she started to look at the
12 Digitek and question the investigation
13 associated with the batch with the so-called
14 double-thick tablets.

15 So there was no commitment to recall
16 that batch until probably at least a week or
17 so later because there was a number -- there
18 were --for one thing, she was asking for more
19 information, and we were providing information
20 to her. And we were still in the -- in the
21 mode of trying to, I guess, satisfy her
22 concerns.

23 Q Are you retracting any of your
24 testimony to Mr. Blizzard today about whether

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1 there was a probable Digitek recall, in your
2 mind, as of April 9, 2008?

3 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

4 Go ahead.

5 THE WITNESS: I would have to
6 look back at what exactly I wrote, but I
7 said it's probably a recall. But that,
8 again, is a statement I made to a
9 colleague. It is not a formal commitment
10 to FDA to recall something. There's a
11 big difference.

12 BY MR. PETTIT:

13 Q In your mind -- are you finished
14 your answer? I'm trying not to speak over
15 your answer.

16 A Yes, yes.

17 Q In your mind, on April the 9th,
18 2008, it was already probable that there would
19 be a Digitek recall --

20 MR. DEAN: Objection.

21 BY MR. PETTIT:

22 Q -- is that correct?

23 MR. DEAN: Objection; misstates
24 the testimony, misstates the document.

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1 Do you want to look at 107?

2 THE WITNESS: Yes.

3 It was --

4 BY MR. PETTIT:

5 Q Now that Mr. Dean has coached you on
6 answering the question --

7 MR. DEAN: I showed her the
8 document. You're the one who's
9 misstating it.

10 MR. PETTIT: Counsel, there is
11 not only no speaking objections, there's
12 no shoving documents in front of the
13 witness. I mean, I don't know what court
14 you practice in. I've never seen such a
15 thing.

16 MR. DEAN: I've never seen an
17 attorney try to trick a witness and say
18 she's testified to one thing when she
19 hasn't testified to it at all. I think
20 it's only fair to show the witness the
21 document. I think, in fairness, you're
22 probably confused about the document.

23 MR. PETTIT: All right. Now
24 you've totally coached your witness on

1 what to say.

2 BY MR. PETTIT:

3 Q So let me put the document that does
4 not have the oral testimony that you gave
5 Mr. Blizzard on it; but I will show you the
6 document, now that Mr. Dean has put it in
7 front of you, so the jury can see what your
8 lawyer -- excuse me -- what Actavis' lawyer
9 put in front of you. And I'm going to let the
10 jury look at it, and then I have to hand it
11 back to you. Okay?

12 Now, does that help you in answering
13 your question -- answering my question, which
14 was whether or not you choose now to retract
15 any of the testimony you gave to Mr. Blizzard
16 today about the fact that, in your mind, on
17 April the 9th, 2008, there was probably going
18 to be a Digitek recall?

19 MR. DEAN: Objection. That's a
20 different question than what you asked
21 her before.

22 Go ahead.

23 THE WITNESS: I don't retract
24 anything I said before. I never said --

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1 I am putting it in the context of what is
2 written here and the intent of it. Erin
3 looked at the investigation and was
4 not -- visibly not pleased with it. My
5 comment to my colleague was that I
6 thought it was going into that direction.

7 But in terms of actually what
8 had happened was that we spent several
9 days giving her information to help
10 clarify the issues, which turned out to
11 be unsuccessful.

12 So it was not a formal
13 commitment to the FDA to recall anything
14 until at least a week later.

15 BY MR. PETTIT:

16 Q On April the 9th, 2008, Actavis had
17 no plans to recall Digitek and they were
18 waiting for the FDA to pressure them into
19 doing it; is that correct?

20 MR. DEAN: Objection;
21 argumentative.

22 Go ahead.

23 THE WITNESS: No. It was the
24 beginning -- in any of these instances,

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1 the FDA is reviewing something and
2 there's supplemental information that can
3 be provided to clarify issues, to satisfy
4 concerns. And it became clearer as we
5 moved on that nothing -- there was
6 nothing that was -- I had testified also
7 earlier that I had no experience with
8 what she was looking at. I didn't
9 participate in it. I was not actively
10 involved in it.

11 So as a responsible individual,
12 I needed to look into the issues and
13 provide her with the information and the
14 people for her to question so that she
15 could fully understand it. No company is
16 going to jump up and recall something the
17 first time FDA reviews it and says they
18 don't like it.

19 BY MR. PETTIT:

20 Q Do you think that April 2008 was the
21 first time the FDA reviewed this Digitek
22 problem?

23 MR. DEAN: Objection to form;
24 vague and ambiguous.

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1 Go ahead.

2 THE WITNESS: I don't know the
3 exact date, but it was early April when
4 she first started to look at the digoxin
5 batches, yes.

6 BY MR. PETTIT:

7 Q As the vice president of quality and
8 compliance, from September 2007 to April 9th,
9 2008, did you make an effort to find out if
10 the FDA was concerned about the release of the
11 batch that we've been talking about that had
12 the double thickness?

13 A Why would I do that? FDA didn't
14 know that batch existed until they came
15 on-site in March and subsequently picked up a
16 batch record, saw it, and looked at the
17 investigation. That was the first time I saw
18 it.

19 Q Did you make any effort, as the vice
20 president for quality and compliance, to
21 inform the FDA that there had been a batch of
22 4.8 million pills of Digitek released after
23 there had been an inspection, which was 07-093
24 inspection?

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1 MR. DEAN: Objection; assumes
2 she had knowledge of it.

3 Go ahead.

4 THE WITNESS: As I stated
5 before, I had no knowledge of this issue
6 until FDA looked at the batch record
7 during the inspection in 2008.

8 BY MR. PETTIT:

9 Q Did you ever criticize Mr. Bitler
10 for not consulting you about his decision to
11 release that batch?

12 A No, I don't believe so. And there
13 was also another director in between -- Dan
14 did not report directly to me.

15 Q Did you ever criticize Scott Talbot
16 for not telling you?

17 A Not necessarily because the
18 day-to-day operations really fell into the
19 site quality purview. And I would typically
20 not be consulted on every issue. I would have
21 liked to have been consulted in this
22 particular case, but there was no criteria for
23 which they needed to notify me.

24 Q Which was my next question. Is

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1 there a written policy or criteria for when
2 Mr. Bitler would tell Mr. Talbot or when --
3 strike that.

4 Is there a written criteria or
5 policy for when Mr. Talbot would inform you of
6 a decision to release 4.8 million pills in a
7 batch where there had been double-thick
8 tablets found?

9 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

10 Go ahead.

11 THE WITNESS: There was no
12 criteria of any sort at that time.

13 BY MR. PETTIT:

14 Q When you say you would have liked if
15 Mr. Talbot had informed you, was that your
16 thought in April 2008?

17 A When I saw the investigation, yes, I
18 would have liked to have been consulted on it.

19 Q And did you wish that there were an
20 Actavis criteria or policy in place to make
21 Mr. Talbot talk to you about release of that
22 batch?

23 MR. DEAN: Objection.

24 Go ahead.

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1 THE WITNESS: I can answer?

2 MR. DEAN: Sure.

3 THE WITNESS: Even with
4 guidelines for communication and
5 elevating of issues, it would be
6 difficult for any site to run where the
7 VP of all of US operations had to be
8 consulted on every decision.

9 So I do agree that there should
10 be criteria, and I believe there were
11 subsequently procedures put in place so
12 that things of a certain nature would be
13 elevated to my level. But it's still
14 never practical for it -- it would never
15 always be on every batch or every
16 decision.

17 BY MR. PETTIT:

18 Q But, in fact, it was possible to
19 have done it if Actavis had chosen to do it?

20 MR. DEAN: Objection.

21 Go ahead.

22 BY MR. PETTIT:

23 Q To have such a policy in writing.

24 A You could never outline every

1 instance in which you want to get a phone
2 call. So I don't think anybody was going to
3 write into any SOP that if you have
4 double-thick tablets and you want to release
5 the batch after inspection, that you have to
6 call the VP.

7 You're being very specific in your
8 questioning.

9 Q Was there anything in your CAPA
10 afterwards, after the April 2008 -- March and
11 April 2008 inspection that suggested there be
12 such a criteria?

13 A There was no such criteria as far as
14 I know. But what it did enable was just more
15 visibility about what was going on at the site
16 in terms of the investigations that were being
17 opened and closed and the nature of those
18 investigations, which would allow reporting
19 and visibility to the issue so that if there
20 was something, I could question it or any VP
21 in my role or anyone in my role could question
22 it.

23 Q Are you finished your answer?
24 Because I don't want to speak over you.

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1 A Yes, uh-huh.

2 Q I'm going back to Exhibit 120, which
3 is up here on the screen, the April 28th,
4 2008, letter that Actavis sent to Mylan. And
5 at the very beginning, it talks about the
6 recall. It says: "This recall has been
7 initiated due to overweight tablets."

8 Do you see that?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And that, in fact, is accurate; is
11 that correct?

12 A I'm trying to remember where that
13 wording came from. And I don't recall, but
14 that was what was agreed upon as the reason
15 for the recall.

16 Q Agreed upon among others by Actavis?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And agreed upon by yourself as well
19 personally while you were vice president at
20 Actavis?

21 A Yes.

22 Q There -- well, let me ask it a
23 different way.

24 Were there letters that were drafted

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1 by Actavis that were intended for pharmacies
2 to send to the patient or the consumer about
3 the recall?

4 A For Digitek?

5 Q Yes, about the Digitek recall.

6 A I don't think so, not to my
7 knowledge.

8 Q Were there -- without speculating,
9 were there letters drafted by Mylan -- drafted
10 by Mylan that were intended for use by the
11 pharmacies to send to consumers or patients?

12 A I don't know.

13 Q Did you ever ask how the consumer or
14 the patient was going to learn about the
15 recall? Did you ever ask anybody at Mylan?

16 A No.

17 Q Did anybody at Mylan ever talk to
18 you about what their intentions were so that
19 the consumers and the patients could find out
20 about the recall?

21 A No.

22 Q Did Actavis ever do anything to find
23 out if the pharmacies were sending letters to
24 the consumers?

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1 MR. DEAN: Objection.

2 Go ahead.

3 THE WITNESS: I know that there
4 were several other groups of people that
5 were coordinating these efforts, but I
6 was not directly involved.

7 BY MR. PETTIT:

8 Q Do you know who that was?

9 A More along the lines of customer
10 service groups so that they could answer
11 questions and handle information because
12 people were calling and not -- if they were
13 Mylan's customers, we had no familiarity with
14 them.

15 So I know that the customer service
16 groups had to work together to help answer
17 questions and direct the product to the right
18 locations. But I didn't participate in that
19 directly.

20 Q Mr. -- I'm moving on to another
21 topic.

22 Mr. Blizzard asked you some
23 questions about risk assessment. And I want
24 to ask you, is there something different

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1 called a health hazard assessment?

2 A Actually we talked about a health
3 hazard assessment this morning.

4 Q Correct.

5 A Yes.

6 Q And Mr. Blizzard -- I don't want to
7 try to characterize what he said and what you
8 answered. That's what actually I'm trying to
9 find out now.

10 When you were talking about a health
11 hazard assessment this morning to
12 Mr. Blizzard, in your mind, is that different
13 than something called a risk assessment?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. What's the difference?

16 A I think a health hazard assessment
17 is one form of a risk assessment, but there
18 are other types of risk assessments that are
19 not always health hazard-related.

20 So, I mean, I don't know if that
21 answers you, but that kind of puts it -- I put
22 it in two different categories.

23 Q Again, somewhat paraphrasing what
24 you said, I think you said that you did not

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1 know if there was a health hazard assessment
2 done for Digitek; correct?

3 A Correct.

4 Q Do you know, sitting here today, who
5 might likely know that at Actavis if there
6 were one done?

7 A If there were one done, the
8 pharmacovigilance group.

9 Q And who is that? I mean the names
10 of people.

11 A Sarita -- I don't know her last
12 name.

13 Q Spell Sarita for us, please.

14 A S-A-R-I-T-A.

15 Q What was her title or her
16 approximate title?

17 A I don't know if she's director or
18 manager of pharmacovigilance.

19 Q What department?

20 A Regulatory affairs.

21 Pharmacovigilance is a department name, and it
22 falls under the regulatory affairs group.

23 Q Do you know if she's still at
24 Actavis?

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1 A I don't know.

2 Q You were speaking to Mr. Blizzard
3 earlier this morning about some duties that
4 you had after the recall. And one of the
5 things that he and you were speaking about was
6 something called refresher GMP training?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And that's good manufacturing
9 practices?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Were there any refresher GMP
12 training sessions prior to the recall
13 regarding Digitek? Well, strike that. I'll
14 ask you a completely different question.

15 Prior to the April 2008 recall, were
16 there any refresher GMP training sessions --

17 MR. DEAN: Objection.

18 Go ahead.

19 BY MR. PETTIT:

20 Q -- as of the time that you began
21 there in September of 2007 up to April of
22 2008?

23 MR. DEAN: Let me state the
24 basis of my objection; lack of foundation

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1 with this witness.

2 Go ahead.

3 THE WITNESS: GMP training is
4 done site-specific. And I'm not sure
5 what the schedule was for that training,
6 but you typically would do periodic
7 training. So you would be trained upon
8 employment, and then everyone would get
9 updated, ongoing training at regular
10 intervals on different topics or a
11 general GMP training.

12 BY MR. PETTIT:

13 Q "Typically" meaning it should
14 happen, or "typically" meaning you know for a
15 fact that it did happen?

16 A I could not answer with respect to
17 this site because I do not know what the -- I
18 don't know the detail in the SOP.

19 Q If there were GMP refresher
20 training -- refresher GMP training from
21 September 2007 to April 2008, what department
22 would cause that to happen?

23 A There was a training department. It
24 was a training person on-site.

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1 Q Was that under regulatory or under
2 quality or something else?

3 A In this particular case, it fell
4 under the quality organization.

5 Q Which is your organization?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Do you just not know because you
8 delegated that job to someone else, or do you
9 just not know period or what?

10 A Again, I was the head of all US
11 operations that had multiple facilities. So I
12 don't know the details of the SOPs in every
13 facility.

14 As a matter of fact, one of the
15 directions that we were going in at the time
16 was to consolidate and make some of those
17 practices consistent across all of the
18 facilities.

19 Q I'm going to go on to a different
20 topic. I want to ask you a couple questions
21 about the recall.

22 Did you personally ever have a
23 session where you orally spoke to the
24 employees at Actavis or some of the employees

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1 at Actavis to tell them what the reason was
2 for the recall, the Digitek recall?

3 A The whole entire --

4 Q No. I'm assuming it would be
5 smaller groups.

6 A So now ask me the question again.

7 Q Sure. Did you personally ever give
8 any session where you orally presented to some
9 of the Actavis employees what the reason or
10 reasons were for the Digitek recall?

11 A Not that I can recall.

12 Q Did that happen by somebody else, if
13 you know, without guessing?

14 A I believe there were discussions
15 about what was going on at the facility in
16 employee meetings, so updates to the employees
17 as to the status of the inspection and what
18 was going on. Recalls were part of that
19 discussion to let people know. Specifically
20 when we stopped manufacturing, there were a
21 number of times that the employees were
22 brought together, but I didn't give those
23 presentations.

24 Q Do you know whether any of those

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1 presentations presented the reasons for the
2 Digitek recall?

3 A I don't know for a fact.

4 Q Have you ever heard of a
5 pharmaceutical company stop making all of its
6 products after an FDA inspection?

7 MR. DEAN: Objection.

8 Go ahead.

9 THE WITNESS: Yes.

10 BY MR. PETTIT:

11 Q What other companies?

12 A There was a facility -- several --
13 two facilities that Schein owned that stopped
14 manufacturing product.

15 Q All of its products?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Any others?

18 A There are other facilities that I
19 have not worked at that were in the news and
20 trade press that had resulted in a stop of
21 manufacturing.

22 Q Of all their products?

23 A Yes.

24 Q How many? How many companies?

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1 A I can think of at least two others.

2 Q Any others besides Schein and the
3 two others?

4 A That's all I can recall right now
5 off the top of my head.

6 Q And is that in your entire career?

7 A That's what I can remember now.

8 Q Stretching back over your entire
9 career?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Do you know whether the consumers or
12 patients that took Digitek were ever offered a
13 refund by Actavis after the recall?

14 A I don't know.

15 Q Do you know who would most likely
16 know that at Actavis?

17 A As I mentioned earlier, there were
18 customer service representatives that were
19 working in conjunction with those
20 representatives from Mylan to answer
21 customer-related issues and inquiries about
22 the recall. So I don't know if -- typically
23 in a recall, there's some instruction as to
24 what to do with the product and whether they

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1 would be reimbursed or whether product would
2 be replaced, et cetera. I don't know the
3 detail of this one.

4 Q Are you talking about a third party
5 when you talk about customer service people or
6 are you talking about Actavis?

7 A Both, both.

8 Q Who at -- if I wanted to, for
9 example, take a deposition of someone at
10 Actavis who most likely would know about a
11 refund program, who do you think that would
12 be?

13 A It would be -- I'm guessing that it
14 would be somebody in the customer service
15 department.

16 Q Of Actavis and you just don't know
17 the names?

18 A Right.

19 Q Would you agree with me that but for
20 the FDA inspection in March and April of 2008,
21 Actavis would not have recalled Digitek?

22 MR. DEAN: Objection; calls for
23 speculation.

24 Go ahead.

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1 THE WITNESS: I would say
2 that's probably true.

3 BY MR. PETTIT:

4 Q Are you able to estimate what
5 percentage of all the batches produced by
6 Actavis in New Jersey in 2007 were batches of
7 Digitek?

8 MR. DEAN: Objection; lack of
9 foundation.

10 Go ahead.

11 THE WITNESS: I don't know.

12 BY MR. PETTIT:

13 Q Do you have any sense at all?

14 A I only know that it was one of the
15 higher-volume products due to the number of
16 tablets in the batch size but not necessarily
17 the number of batches, if that makes sense.

18 Q In going through documents, I have
19 seen references to the batch that we've been
20 talking about, which is the batch that they
21 found the, quote, double-thick tablets in.
22 And I have seen references to 70924, 70924A,
23 70924A1, and 70924A2.

24 Have you made any effort to find out

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1 if all or some of those batch numbers were, in
2 fact, the ones that were involved with the
3 discovery of the 20 tablets and the
4 investigation of it?

5 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

6 Go ahead.

7 THE WITNESS: I believe it's
8 all the same batch. It's just a -- it's
9 just a -- it gets the letters and numbers
10 at the end as it's being processed
11 through the -- it goes from manufacturing
12 into packaging.

13 So it's given a batch number in
14 the manufacturing. And then in some
15 cases product is packaged into more than
16 one container size. So then it gets
17 different designations on the ends to
18 distinguish different parts of the batch
19 being packaged, perhaps hundred-count
20 versus 500-count versus a larger size.

21 So it's all the same batch.
22 It's all the same manufactured batch.
23 The letter designations and the number
24 designations at the very end are just

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1 distinguishing between different
2 packaging sizes, from what I can recall.

3 BY MR. PETTIT:

4 Q So if the batch that we're talking
5 about were about 4.8 million tablets, it's
6 your understanding that that is the sum total
7 of the batch and there wouldn't be two
8 separate batches with one of these other
9 designations that I just listed?

10 A Correct. No two batches have the
11 same number, not the same batch number.

12 Q So there could not be such a thing
13 as a Batch 70924A1 and also a Batch 70924A2?

14 A They're both the same manufacturing
15 batch. They are just designated as A1 and A2
16 because they're packaged in different
17 container sizes.

18 Q So if there were 4.8 million tablets
19 that were packaged differently, there would be
20 less than 4.8 million in A1 and less than
21 4.8 million in A2?

22 A And when you add them together, they
23 would be 4.8.

24 Q So when the many documents refer to

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1 four different designations, is it your
2 testimony that people meant to refer to just
3 the same batch?

4 A Yes.

5 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 121
6 was marked for identification.)

7 BY MR. PETTIT:

8 Q Now, this is what is called a
9 redacted document. I'm zooming out so the
10 jury can see the entire document. And at the
11 top are columns that say "Product," "Date
12 Letter Sent to Capital Returns," "Date Letter
13 Mailed to Customers," and "Comments." And the
14 part that's not redacted says the Product:
15 Digoxin Tablets; the Date Letter Mailed to
16 Customer is April 29th, 2008.

17 Now, first of all, have you ever
18 seen this actual document before just now?
19 And I don't know if you can recognize it with
20 the redaction, but I'm going to ask it anyway.

21 A I honestly can't recognize it.

22 Q Without guessing, do you know what
23 it means?

24 A Yes. It's a list that indicates

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1 when we sent the -- Capital Returns was the
2 third-party group that we were working with to
3 handle the recalls. And so it's saying here
4 that we sent the final version of the recall
5 letter to them on the 28th and that they
6 mailed it to the customer on the 29th.

7 Q The customer, again, meaning Mylan?

8 A Correct.

9 MR. PETTIT: Go off the record
10 for a second?

11 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the
12 record, 3:19.

13 (Discussion off the record.)

14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Back on the
15 record, 3:21.

16 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 122
17 was marked for identification.)

18 BY MR. PETTIT:

19 Q Ms. Lambridis, I've shown you a
20 document which I've marked -- is it 122?

21 A 122.

22 Q Thank you. My first question is:
23 Have you had a minute to just glance through
24 it? And tell me if you've ever seen it before

1 just now.

2 A I've not seen it in this exact
3 format, but I've seen something similar.

4 Q And can you tell the jury what it
5 looks like to you?

6 A It looks like a log of what
7 investigations were opened on a monthly basis.

8 Q So what the jury's looking at right
9 now is just the top page, July 2006; correct?

10 A Uh-huh.

11 Q August, September, October, and so
12 on; correct?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And can you turn to Page 1423204,
15 which is December 2007. And can you see that
16 there's an investigation 07-093?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And there's a column in the
19 beginning that says "Investigation Open By
20 Department." And this one says
21 "Manufacturing"?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And there's an "Investigation
24 Initiated Date" and a "Disposition Approved

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1 Date"; correct?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Now, do you know, without guessing,
4 what that line means: 07-93, manufacturing
5 department opened an investigation on
6 December 5th, 2007, 1/25/2008?

7 First of all, I said that in a
8 sentence. So is that sentence even correct?
9 Can you put those words together and make a
10 sentence like I just did?

11 A By looking at the column headers, I
12 can say that there was an investigation opened
13 on December 5 by the manufacturing department
14 and it was given an investigation number,
15 07-093.

16 Q If -- first of all, do you recognize
17 that number, 07-093, as a specific
18 investigation?

19 A No.

20 Q Have you ever seen 07-093 as an
21 investigation regarding a batch of Digitek
22 which had tablets that were out of
23 specification?

24 A If you're referring to the batch

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1 that is under discussion, I actually read
2 excerpts from that investigation report during
3 the FDA inspection. But I wouldn't recognize
4 that as the number.

5 Q If that were an inspection number
6 for an inspection for an out-of-spec --

7 MR. DEAN: You mean
8 investigation?

9 MR. PETTIT: What did I say?

10 MR. DEAN: Inspection.

11 MR. PETTIT: I'm sorry. Thank
12 you.

13 BY MR. PETTIT:

14 Q If that is a number for an
15 investigation for an out-of-spec Digitek
16 batch, a batch of Digitek where there were
17 some out-of-spec Digitek tablets, is it
18 unusual for the department that opened the
19 investigation to be manufacturing?

20 A No. It would depend on what the
21 issue is. Whoever -- it varies from company
22 to company, but typically where the event
23 occurred is where -- the department given the
24 responsibility for the investigation, to open

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1 it and to conduct it. Sometimes it's found by
2 another department, but it would still go back
3 to where it originated.

4 Q So if 07-03 were an investigation
5 number for that batch of Digitek that we've
6 been talking about all day, even if the
7 inspection were handled by Mr. Bitler out of
8 the quality group, it could still be opened by
9 manufacturing; is that correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And do you have memory, from this
12 document refreshing your memory or not, as to
13 whether those dates are correct for the
14 inspection, without guessing?

15 MR. DEAN: For the
16 investigation?

17 MR. PETTIT: I'm so sorry.

18 BY MR. PETTIT:

19 Q "For the investigation" is what I
20 mean to say.

21 A I am not that familiar with this
22 format. I'm not sure what you're asking me.
23 Do you want me to verify that those are the
24 dates?

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1 MR. PETTIT: No. It's a bad
2 question, so let me make it a smaller
3 question.

4 BY MR. PETTIT:

5 Q Separate from this document, do you
6 have any knowledge as to the beginning date
7 and ending date of the inspection Mr. Bitler
8 did on that batch?

9 A No.

10 Q If this is an accurate document for
11 investigations opened in December 2007, does
12 that refresh your recollection, without making
13 a guess?

14 A I don't have that knowledge.

15 Q And would Mr. Bitler be a good
16 person to ask when that investigation was
17 opened and closed?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Would there be anybody else that I
20 could ask that question to?

21 A Mr. Talbot.

22 Q Anybody else?

23 A Not that I'm --

24 MR. DEAN: You should speak up.

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1 THE WITNESS: No.

2 BY MR. PETTIT:

3 Q So Mr. Talbot and Mr. Bitler would
4 be the two most knowledgeable people about the
5 beginning and ending date of that
6 investigation?

7 A Yes.

8 Q There was plan to move some or all
9 of the Little Falls manufacturing operations
10 to Riverview; correct?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Was it some of the Little Falls
13 production operations or all of it? What was
14 the plan?

15 A I believe the plan was for all of it
16 to move.

17 Q And obviously that would mean that
18 all of the Digitek production -- the plan was
19 to move all of the Digitek production to
20 Riverview; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q When -- well, you got there in
23 September 2007. Do you know if that plan was
24 already in place when you arrived?

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1 A Which part of the plan?

2 Q The plan to move all of the Digitek
3 production from Little Falls to Riverview.

4 A It was already in --

5 Q The plan was in place, not the --

6 A The plan was in place, yes.

7 Q -- not the finality of it?

8 A Right.

9 Q Do you know when the plan began?

10 A No.

11 Q Was the plan to have Little Falls
12 continue to manufacture some Digitek, or would
13 that end and then a hundred percent of the
14 Digitek would be produced at Riverview? What
15 was that plan?

16 A I was not there when all of the
17 plans were made, but it was my understanding
18 that all of the operations would move out of
19 the Little Falls facility at some point in
20 time. So there would probably be
21 manufacturing going on in both places for a
22 while until they could close the Little Falls
23 facility and have everything all set in the
24 other facility.

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1 Q What was the reason for the plan to
2 move all of the manufacturing operations for
3 Digitek to Riverview?

4 MR. DEAN: Objection; no
5 foundation.

6 Go ahead.

7 THE WITNESS: As I said before,
8 I was not part of the discussions
9 regarding the rationale behind it all.
10 But from what I do know, it was to handle
11 the increase in the number of products
12 and also because the Little Falls
13 facility was leased and the Riverview
14 facility was owned.

15 BY MR. PETTIT:

16 Q Where did you learn those two
17 possible reasons? Was that from speaking to
18 someone?

19 A Just from discussions, just from
20 discussions.

21 Q With whom? My point being if I
22 wanted to take someone's deposition on that
23 issue, who would be a good person to ask?

24 A It was part of general meetings, so

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1 I would say the operations group, the senior
2 management at Actavis.

3 Q Mr. Dowling?

4 A I don't -- I would think it would be
5 more along the lines of above that level, more
6 of a higher level with --

7 Q Can you give me a name?

8 A Chris, Chris Young; Jeff Rope;
9 Apurva; at the time it was Steinhor.

10 Q Apurva Patel?

11 A Patel. Steinhor, who was actually
12 the most senior person in operations at the
13 time.

14 Q Do you know, without guessing,
15 whether there were any backlogs or backorders
16 for Digitek in the fall of 2007 when you
17 arrived?

18 MR. DEAN: Objection; no
19 foundation.

20 Go ahead.

21 THE WITNESS: I don't know the
22 answer to that.

23 BY MR. PETTIT:

24 Q Who would be the person or persons

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1 who you think would have knowledge about that
2 if I wanted to ask them?

3 A People in supply chain.

4 Q Is that a department?

5 A Yeah. It's the plan -- basically
6 the planning department and the department
7 that coordinates the orders for material with
8 the delivery dates. They work with production
9 and plan out the production schedule.

10 Q Since I'm looking for names, I at
11 least need a department that I can recognize
12 in these documents. I was wondering if that's
13 a department I can look for or are they in
14 some other department?

15 A Regarding backorder?

16 Q Backorders or backlogs for Digitek
17 in 2007.

18 A Bharat or Dhaval.

19 Q Spell those for me.

20 A B-H-A --

21 Q Do you need a piece of paper to
22 scribble?

23 A No. That's all right.

24 B-H-A-R-A-T. And the other was

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1 Dhaval, D-H-A-V-A-L, I believe.

2 Q And I'm sorry to ask it this way,
3 but are those first names or last names?

4 A Those are first names.

5 Q Do you know the last names?

6 A I'm not sure.

7 Q And not to repeat the question too
8 many times --

9 A No. That's okay. Go ahead.

10 Q Are they in a department that I can
11 look at a department organizational chart?

12 A It varies what they call that group
13 from company to company, but it would be the
14 planning department or the supply chain
15 logistics department.

16 MR. PETTIT: I'm sorry. That's
17 already been marked. That will confuse
18 the record. Just void that out.

19 BY MR. PETTIT:

20 Q This has previously been marked as
21 Plaintiff's Exhibit 96.

22 While you're looking at that,
23 Ms. Lambridis, I'll just identify it for the
24 jury. It purports to be a photocopy of an

1 e-mail from Anthony Castellazzo to a lot of
2 people, including Mr. Bitler, Mr. Dowling, and
3 ultimately copied to you. And the date on
4 Plaintiff's Exhibit 96, the date of e-mail is
5 November 14th, 2007.

6 Did you get that e-mail?

7 A Yes.

8 Q On the second paragraph, it says:
9 "We all have plenty on our plates and we'll
10 continue to for some time. That state of
11 affairs is nothing new. Considering the
12 recent push in production demand and having to
13 provide enough resources to meet this
14 immediate need, the needs of the Tech Transfer
15 Project continue to suffer from insufficient
16 resources." And then the paragraph goes on.

17 Do you know what Mr. Castellazzo is
18 referring to when he talks about there being a
19 recent push in production demand?

20 A I don't know specifically what he's
21 referring to, but it usually means that
22 there's been an increase in the need -- it
23 could be any product. In other words, we have
24 an increase in business or an increase in

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1 orders.

2 Q This is about two months after you
3 arrived, November 14th, 2007; correct?

4 A Correct.

5 Q Were you aware that there was a
6 recent push in production demands in
7 November 2007?

8 A The context of this memo is back to
9 what I stated earlier. The Little Falls
10 facility was significantly smaller than the
11 Riverview facility. So part of the reason for
12 the move was because we could obviously
13 produce more in the bigger facility because we
14 would have more production rooms and more
15 equipment. So Tony Castellazzo is referring
16 to the tech transfer, meaning activities
17 surrounding getting the new building approved,
18 and that our increasing demand for increased
19 number of orders for product, that the sooner
20 that we can do that, the better.

21 Q Okay.

22 A The sooner we move, the sooner we'll
23 get to a point where we'll be able to meet
24 this increase in demand. The recent push

1 means that it's the planning group and the
2 sales and marketing group telling us we have
3 an increase in orders, so we need to work
4 toward getting the means to produce
5 everything.

6 Q So there is an increase in orders
7 and a concern that LF -- Little Falls;
8 correct?

9 A Right.

10 Q -- Little Falls represents a finite
11 production capacity, even though you're
12 getting these sales orders; is that what you
13 just meant?

14 A Yes.

15 Q So it was important in the fall of
16 2007 to have a way to produce more Digitek and
17 other products; would you agree with that?

18 A Yes. And that's what the next
19 sentence says.

20 Q And at the present time, meaning
21 November 2007, there's sales orders coming in;
22 there's a need to have more production; and
23 there was concern that it wasn't happening at
24 Little Falls and you needed a bigger place;

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1 correct? That's what you just said?

2 A I think that's one way of looking at
3 it, but there could also be a demand in
4 business where you can't accept that business
5 until you have more capacity. So --

6 Q Which would not be a good thing for
7 the company?

8 A Right. You don't want to turn down
9 business.

10 MR. PETTIT: And I notice that
11 the sun is now sinking, and it's about to
12 hit your face. So if you have a problem
13 with that, please let me know. We'll do
14 something about that.

15 All right. I'm finished with
16 that document. So this will be 123.

17 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 123
18 was marked for identification.)

19 BY MR. PETTIT:

20 Q While you're taking a look at that,
21 Ms. Lambridis, I'm going to just identify what
22 it looks to be to the jury. It looks to be an
23 e-mail from Rahana Hussain on behalf of
24 Augustine Frimpong dated April 14th, 2008, to,

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1 again, a lot of people, including Phyllis
2 Lambridis. The subject is FDA Communication,
3 and there's an attachment about digoxin
4 tablets.

5 Did you receive that e-mail?

6 A Yes.

7 Q The attachment, at least the way it
8 was produced to me, was a two-page letter,
9 Actavis 001423940 to 941. Is that what it
10 looks like to you, a two-page letter, and then
11 there's an electronic signature page at the
12 very end?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Does that attachment look like it
15 goes with that e-mail?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Who is Jacob Haroon, Ph.D., who is
18 the person FDA sent this letter to at Actavis?

19 A He was the director of regulatory
20 affairs at the time.

21 Q The first sentence -- and you would
22 agree with me this is a letter from the FDA to
23 Actavis; correct?

24 A Yes.

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1 Q On the second page, it's from
2 Florence Fang of the FDA.

3 A Correct.

4 Q The first sentence of the letter:
5 "Dear Sir: This refers to your supplemental
6 new drug application dated January 22, 2008."

7 And then there's a reference to a
8 regulation for digoxin tablets. Now, I
9 paraphrased the sentence, but you would agree
10 with me?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And it refers to -- at the middle of
13 the page to Actavis Totowa, LLC, 900 Riverview
14 Drive, Totowa, New Jersey; correct?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And the next paragraph makes a
17 reference to a phone conversation on
18 February 27th, 2008, between the FDA and Jacob
19 Haroon, Ph.D., who's the head of regulatory at
20 the time for your company?

21 A I'm sorry. I didn't hear the first
22 part of your --

23 Q Sorry. I had a lot packed into it.
24 That's why. Sorry.

1 Let me start: The letter states:
2 "Reference is also made to the February 27,
3 2008, telephone conversation between Nitin
4 Patel of this Administration "-- that's the
5 FDA; right?

6 A Uh-huh.

7 Q -- "and Jacob Haroon and Augustine
8 Frimpong of Actavis Totowa LLC." And the
9 sentence goes on.

10 A Right.

11 Q And in the next sentence, the FDA
12 says: "The change that you described is not,
13 in our opinion, the kind permitted by
14 regulation to be put into effect in advance of
15 approval of the supplement."

16 Did I read that correctly?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Now, can you tell the jury, if you
19 know -- and I know you're not in regulatory,
20 so tell me if you don't know. I don't want
21 you to guess.

22 Do you know, is this the FDA telling
23 Actavis that they cannot produce Digitek in
24 Riverview yet; something else has to happen?

1 A It's telling them that their
2 supplement to move the manufacturing there
3 can't proceed yet. But you have to make
4 product in that facility to get it approved,
5 so it doesn't prohibit them from making
6 batches there.

7 The context of this letter is that
8 there are different types of supplements to be
9 filed for changes. The company chose the
10 category as the changes being effected zero,
11 meaning that it would be immediately
12 effective.

13 Q Zero days?

14 A Zero days, meaning that once it was
15 filed, it would be immediately effective. And
16 upon doing so, they received this phone call
17 from the Agency on the 27th stating that a GMP
18 inspection would be required before they would
19 grant it.

20 So this letter is just follow-up to
21 that conversation. It sort of makes it
22 official. But the facility at Riverview Drive
23 was part of Actavis Totowa, the company
24 Actavis Totowa.

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1 And there were ongoing discussions
2 with FDA prior that they considered that what
3 they called a contiguous site. Because it was
4 within a certain mile radius of the original
5 facility and because it was part of the same
6 company, they considered it, as I said before,
7 a contiguous site, which means the level of
8 work to be done in terms of filing and the
9 approval process for making changes between
10 those facilities is less burdensome.

11 So with that understanding, Actavis
12 filed a change -- the changes being effected
13 supplement. The Agency then came back on the
14 27th and clarified and said even though it's
15 the same facility, we want to come in and see
16 that building and do an inspection on that
17 particular facility before you make the
18 change. And that's what led to the inspection
19 that occurred in March.

20 So this letter came at a later date,
21 I believe.

22 Q That's actually my next question.
23 So --

24 A Yeah, it came at a later date, but

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1 that's just the Agency's very slow process.

2 Q The FDA letter -- I'm sorry.

3 A I'm sorry. I'm just saying the
4 Agency is very slow sometimes. They reacted
5 quickly with the phone call, but then the
6 letter comes later because the letter is
7 typically after a review.

8 Q Let me ask you a specific question
9 about the date, and then we'll figure it out.
10 There's an email that says April the 14th.

11 A Correct.

12 Q And that transmits this to a number
13 of people. It's from Actavis to Actavis.
14 It's an internal e-mail.

15 A Yes.

16 Q And that's April the 14th.

17 A Yes.

18 Q Now, we know this letter is at least
19 after February 27th?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Can we narrow it down any more than
22 that when this letter was received?

23 A Based on practice, it would have
24 been received by the regulatory group that

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1 distributes it either the same day or the day
2 before. So they would --

3 Q Meaning April 13th or 14th?

4 A Automatically. If you go to the
5 back on the electronic signatures, the
6 electronic signatures show you April 7. So
7 that's when FDA signed off on it. So it came
8 through the US mail after that.

9 Q Now, do you know, without guessing,
10 since you're not in regulatory, whether the
11 FDA ever formally permitted Digitek to be
12 produced at Riverview?

13 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

14 Go ahead.

15 THE WITNESS: In other words,
16 were they ever approved to manufacture it
17 there? Is that what you're asking?

18 BY MR. PETTIT:

19 Q Yes.

20 A No, because that -- not that I'm
21 aware of.

22 Q Without guessing, is it necessary
23 for the FDA to approve it to be manufactured
24 at a different facility when the Little Falls

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1 facility had been making it up until then?

2 A Yes. The FDA needs to approve or,
3 by some of these other mechanisms, at least be
4 notified of the change. If that facility had
5 already had a GMP inspection, then they could
6 have just moved it and notified FDA. They
7 wouldn't have to wait. The waiting part had
8 to do with the GMP inspection of the facility,
9 not the product itself.

10 Q Okay. So do you know whether the
11 FDA ever finally approved the production and
12 manufacture of Digitek at Riverview?

13 A When I was there, as far as I know,
14 no.

15 MR. PETTIT: All right. We're
16 going to take a break because we're at
17 the end of this tape. And I'm actually
18 pretty close to being finished.

19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now
20 going off the record. This is the end of
21 Videotape No. 4. The time is 3:50.

22 (Short recess.)

23 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now
24 back on the record. This is the

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1 beginning of Videotape No. 5. The time
2 is 4:01.

3 BY MR. PETTIT:

4 Q I'm showing you what was marked as
5 P-16 at an earlier deposition. And it's a
6 large document. And there is handwriting at
7 the top that says: 1 through 67. And if you
8 look at the very last page, it says: 67 of
9 67. I'm stating this for the record. And
10 it's already been marked and introduced into
11 evidence at another deposition.

12 I want to show you some pages out of
13 this document. And if you need to slow down
14 and look at the page before or the page after,
15 whatever, you have to tell me. Otherwise, I'm
16 going to believe that you understood the
17 question and were able to answer it.

18 Is that fair?

19 A That's fair.

20 Q Can you look at the Bates number at
21 the bottom and go to 859? You know what,
22 that's not even going to work.

23 Let's go off the record for a
24 second.

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1 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the
2 record, 4:03.

3 (Discussion off the record.)

4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Back on the
5 record, 4:03.

6 BY MR. PETTIT:

7 Q Ms. Lambridis, I think an easier way
8 to get through this document will be to look
9 at some of the handwriting at the top, Page 2
10 of 67, 3 of 67, and so forth. All right?

11 A Okay.

12 Q Now, on Page 6 of 67, if you would
13 turn to that, now, this is a page out of an
14 Investigation Log No. 07-093.

15 Do you see that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And do you recognize that as the
18 number that we were talking about about a half
19 hour ago as an investigation number which may
20 have been about the batch that Mr. Bitler did
21 the investigation?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And this is Mr. Bitler's signature;
24 is that correct?

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1 A Yes.

2 Q And it purports to have been
3 signed -- and I know you don't know for sure,
4 but at least the document purports to have
5 been signed January 25th, '08; correct?

6 A Correct.

7 Q Now, the section that -- you're
8 familiar with this form because it's a quality
9 group form; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And this is Section IV of the form.
12 It says "QA & Regulatory Evaluation."
13 Correct?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Now, Mr. Bitler signed in that
16 section, but he's not in regulatory, is he?

17 A Well, the section is for QA &
18 Regulatory Evaluation.

19 Q Is there supposed to be a signature
20 from anybody from regulatory?

21 A In that particular case, he's
22 signing for QA. It says: "QA Review
23 Investigation for Completeness and Accuracy
24 and preventive actions for appropriateness."

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1 Q I'd like you to turn to 59 of 67.
2 I'll zoom out for a moment so the jury gets a
3 sense of this page. And this is referring to
4 an On-Line Product Inspection Form, or that's
5 what it is; right?

6 A That's the title of the form, yes.

7 Q And it's dealing with Batch 70924A1.
8 And that's, according to your testimony, one
9 of the designations for this batch, always
10 speaking about the same batch that Mr. Bitler
11 investigated; right?

12 A Correct.

13 Q And at the bottom where it talks
14 about Management Comment, it says that a total
15 of 15 tablets with approximate double the
16 thickness were removed during the inspection
17 of this batch.

18 Did I read that correctly?

19 A Yes.

20 Q So it's your understanding that a
21 total of 20 tablets were found; correct? Not
22 on this document, but a total of 20 out of
23 that batch; is that your understanding?

24 A Yes.

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1 Q And is it your understanding that
2 some were found in the production part of it
3 or the packaging part of it -- I'm using those
4 terms the wrong way.

5 It was found while -- in the normal
6 course of business as the pills were going
7 through; correct?

8 A Correct.

9 Q And then some pills were found
10 during the investigation?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And according to this, 15 of the
13 pills were found during the investigation; is
14 that your understanding?

15 A According to this form, yes.

16 Q Do you have any other understanding
17 other than that?

18 A No, I have no other detail.

19 Q Do you know where the 20 tablets are
20 today, the 20 out-of-specification tablets
21 that were found in Batch 70924A1?

22 MR. DEAN: Objection; asked and
23 answered.

24 Go ahead.

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1 THE WITNESS: I don't know
2 where they are. They were not available
3 during the time of the FDA inspection
4 because the batch had been released, and
5 they were subsequently rejected as we
6 would during the normal course of
7 business.

8 BY MR. PETTIT:

9 Q "Rejected" meaning they were not
10 released?

11 A Correct.

12 Q And do you have an understanding
13 that they were destroyed or lost or turned
14 over to the lawyers or some other possible
15 result?

16 A It was my understanding from the
17 conversations during the inspection that they
18 were no longer available because they were
19 destroyed.

20 Q Who told you that they were
21 destroyed?

22 A That was part of the conversation
23 with Erin and Scott Talbot.

24 Q I'm sure this was asked and I

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1 apologize, but when was that?

2 A During the time frame that I
3 referred to earlier when she reviewed the
4 investigation, beginning of April.

5 Q Turn over to the next page, please.
6 That's Page 60 of 67. And the title of this
7 page, at least, is Digoxin Tablets
8 .125 milligrams, and, again, dealing with
9 Lot 70924A1; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And it's referring to something
12 called a tightened AQL inspection; correct?

13 A Right.

14 Q Do you know what that is?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What is it, please?

17 A I can't recall what the letters
18 "AQL" stand for. But what it is is it's a
19 requirement -- whenever a batch is produced,
20 QA will then do an inspection of that batch
21 prior to its release. That inspection varies,
22 depending on the product.

23 In this particular case, I would
24 have to read this. If you give me a minute,

1 I'll take a look at it and I can speak in more
2 detail.

3 Q Well, I want you to read it until
4 you're comfortable, but I'm actually not going
5 to ask you detailed questions.

6 I'm asking: What is an AQL
7 inspection, in general?

8 A An AQL inspection is the inspection
9 QA would do in order to make its decision to
10 release. The tightened part of this is --
11 when you say it's tightened, it means that the
12 criteria is stricter. So it would appear that
13 this AQL inspection was done, again, after the
14 work that was done to inspect the batch and
15 pull those 15 tablets out. Then QA then went
16 in and did a sampling of that batch to do
17 further inspection before making the decision
18 to release. So this part was done by various
19 production people, not QA, where they found
20 these 15 tablets. QA always comes in after
21 the fact.

22 Q Where did you come to that
23 conclusion?

24 A Based on the --

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1 Q Let me ask a clear question.

2 When did you come to the
3 conclusion -- what's the basis for your
4 conclusion that the 15 out of the 20 tablets
5 were discovered by people in production rather
6 than people doing Investigation 07-093?

7 A I'm basing my answer on the
8 signatures that I see here. But under normal
9 circumstances, when an activity like this
10 occurs, if it's not already proceduralized, it
11 will be written out in some kind of protocol
12 or document which QA approves.

13 Just because the inspection took
14 place of the batch, QA would not inspect the
15 batch and then do a review of the batch and
16 release the batch. Someone else would have to
17 do that inspection in order for QA to come in
18 as a third-party review to release the batch.

19 So what I am seeing here is on this
20 page, which is the inspection form, the
21 results of the inspection, which these
22 initials and signatures look to be either
23 packaging or production people. It refers to
24 a protocol that they follow. And then this

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1 document --

2 Q What signatures? I don't mean to
3 interrupt you, but I'm trying to keep up with
4 your answer.

5 A On this Page 59, which was the prior
6 page, if you look like where 1 is and it says
7 "Done By, Date, Checked By," those are
8 initials. And then it says -- and that's to
9 clear the room to say you can take product
10 into this room, it's clean, et cetera.

11 Q So you're giving a lot of testimony.

12 A I'm sorry.

13 Q I don't mean to interrupt you, but
14 I'm trying to keep up.

15 A Do you want the detail or am I --

16 Q Well, I just want to stop you every
17 once in a while. You can keep on going with
18 your answer. I'm just trying to keep up.

19 Are these the initials you're
20 referring to in your answer just then?

21 A Some of them, and the others are
22 above.

23 Q So these initials here. And can you
24 read any of them?

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1 A I'm referring to the initials down
2 in the box in the middle where it says "Done
3 By" or "Checked By."

4 Q Oh, here?

5 A Right. Those are initials of
6 individuals.

7 Q And do you recognize that -- and I
8 apologize. I don't mean to talk over you.

9 Do you recognize those initials?

10 A I don't recognize them, which is why
11 I'm saying they probably were not quality
12 signatures.

13 Q I'm going to ask another question.
14 And when I'm done asking you these interim
15 questions, if you were in the middle of
16 answering something --

17 A Okay.

18 Q Do you know who those initials
19 are --

20 A No.

21 Q -- Checked By?

22 A No.

23 Q Do you know who these initials are
24 at the bottom? One says "Production

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1 Management" and an initial.

2 A Right.

3 MR. DEAN: It might help if you
4 look at the copy you have instead of
5 that.

6 THE WITNESS: It would be --
7 again, production management would have
8 that signature, and then there would be a
9 QA signature there, but that's an
10 approval signature. It's not signing for
11 the work done.

12 BY MR. PETTIT:

13 Q Whose initials am I highlighting
14 here at the bottom of Page 59 of 67 if you can
15 tell without guessing?

16 A I can't.

17 Q What is your -- I'm going to stop
18 for a second. Do you remember if you were in
19 the middle of answering some other question?
20 It's really unfair. Just before I move on.

21 A I was explaining the tightened AQL.

22 Q Okay. I promise you I will come
23 back to that when we're done. You had turned
24 to this page, and I wanted to catch up with

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1 you. I will get back to that page. Okay? Is
2 that fair?

3 A Okay.

4 Q So on page 59 of 67, at the bottom
5 it says "QA Approval," and there's some
6 initials you don't recognize. And it looks
7 like the date is January 18th, 2008.

8 Do you know, without guessing, what
9 is the significance of somebody from QA
10 signing their initials on that line?

11 MR. DEAN: Objection; asked and
12 answered.

13 Go ahead.

14 THE WITNESS: Without seeing
15 the actual protocol, I can't say what
16 they're signing for. But it appears to
17 me that it's typically verifying what's
18 there. So QA usually is doing the second
19 check on something.

20 So they do a verification --
21 someone does an action, and QA verifies
22 it. So it's written there that there are
23 15 tablets, so QA most likely saw the
24 tablets and verified that.

1 BY MR. PETTIT:

2 Q The date of the production
3 management signature, initials, is the same as
4 the QA approval; correct?

5 A Correct.

6 Q And then on --

7 A That would have to match for them to
8 verify. Well, it could be a subsequent day,
9 but typically they would be at the same time.

10 Q Would it physically be at the same
11 time, same place, standing next to each other
12 or does that vary?

13 A It can vary, depending on what
14 activity is going on.

15 Q So you can't tell just from looking
16 at this document whether the QA person, who we
17 can't identify yet, did an investigation
18 finding the 15 tablets or whether the
19 production management did, but that's the
20 normal policy; is that your testimony?

21 A The investigation is one piece. The
22 inspection of the product is another piece.
23 This refers to the inspection of the product.

24 And all I'm saying is that an

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1 inspection was done. It appears to have been
2 done by a production personnel where they
3 found 15 tablets, and then QA came in and saw
4 that it was 15 tablets and approved.

5 Q Okay. Now I want to go over to
6 Page 60 of 67. It's the page we were just on
7 a couple minutes ago. I'll zoom out again.

8 Now, at the bottom of this page is
9 an approval by -- is that Ashesh Dave for
10 packaging?

11 A Approved by, yes.

12 Q Can you recognize the signature?

13 A Ashesh, yes, uh-huh.

14 Q Is that how you pronounce his last
15 name?

16 A I couldn't tell you.

17 Q And Dan Bitler is QA?

18 A Correct.

19 Q Now, is this one page that the
20 jury's now looking at, which is
21 Actavis 002615, other than the signatures and
22 the dates at the bottom, which I'm going to
23 put my hand over for a second, is the rest of
24 it a preprinted form that could be used --

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1 and, of course, the top where it says a number
2 and a batch. Is the rest of that a preprinted
3 form?

4 MR. DEAN: Objection.

5 Go ahead.

6 THE WITNESS: No. It's written
7 specific to this activity.

8 BY MR. PETTIT:

9 Q And it would be -- I'm really asking
10 a poor question. Is the format that is used
11 for referring to batches and holds and AQL
12 sample, is that set forth in a form that
13 people use? A template is a better way.
14 That's what I should say.

15 Is there a template that people use
16 to fill out an inspection like this, an
17 investigation report like this?

18 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

19 Go ahead.

20 THE WITNESS: It varies from
21 company to company, but there was --

22 BY MR. PETTIT:

23 Q Actavis.

24 A This is specifically a document

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1 created to attach to the investigation. So
2 it's not standard -- it's not a standard form.

3 MR. DEAN: "This" being Page 60
4 of 67?

5 THE WITNESS: Correct.

6 BY MR. PETTIT:

7 Q I want to ask you a question, and
8 tell me if you're able to answer it.

9 A Before you do that, can I finish?

10 Q I thought you were. I apologize.

11 A As far as the AQL, if you look at
12 this document, it gives you the history in the
13 overview to say that two tablets were found.
14 When they were found, they did a review of
15 what was in front of them and found a total of
16 five tablets.

17 It goes on to refer to the protocol
18 that I mentioned a few minutes ago and
19 indicates that this 100 percent inspection was
20 done by the packaging department where 15
21 tablets were found. So that sort of brings
22 you to those 20.

23 And the AQL, after all of that was
24 done, QA went back and did what's called a

1 tightened AQL, which means that they then took
2 what the packaging department deemed as the
3 good product and did an inspection of those at
4 that AQL level with that sample size. And it
5 says there they inspected 1,250 more tablets;
6 and the criteria was accept one, reject two
7 for the batch.

8 Q Are you finished your answer?

9 A Yes.

10 Q The last bullet point, for lack of a
11 better phrase, accept -- it says: "Accept on
12 1/Reject on 2 (total for batch)."

13 Does that mean that if one
14 out-of-spec tablet -- one additional
15 out-of-spec Digitek tablet is found, that the
16 whole batch should be accepted; but if two
17 additional Digitek tablets are out of spec or
18 found, that batch should be not released?

19 A That's the criteria based on that
20 AQL level. That's standard criteria. And
21 it's based on the batch size and the sampling
22 plan. So that's not pulled out of the air.
23 That is criteria set forth by -- these are
24 standards used by quality assurance

1 professionals in multiple industries, not just
2 in pharmaceuticals.

3 Q There is the phrase "visual
4 inspection" in some of these documents, "AQL,"
5 and "tightened AQL." For this particular
6 investigation, 07-093, of this particular
7 batch, can you tell me, was there a visual
8 inspection, was there an AQL, and was there a
9 tightened AQL? Were there all three?

10 A There was a visual inspection and a
11 tightened AQL. There's typically a normal AQL
12 for the release. But that was -- I don't -- I
13 didn't review that, so I can't say for sure.

14 But that would typically happen at
15 some point during the manufacture of the batch
16 in order to get that batch through to the
17 point where it would be packaged and released.
18 So it may be in the regular batch
19 documentation, which I don't have in front of
20 me.

21 Q So now I'm not talking about this
22 particular investigation, but there could be
23 such a thing as a visual inspection and then
24 an AQL and then a tightened AQL? Is that

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1 possible, generally speaking?

2 MR. DEAN: On one batch; right?

3 MR. PETTIT: On one batch, yes.

4 THE WITNESS: Under normal
5 circumstances, there's an AQL and the
6 batch is released. Because this batch
7 identified a problem -- in any batch that
8 identifies a problem, it is possible that
9 they would do a visual inspection and
10 then another AQL before they release it.

11 BY MR. PETTIT:

12 Q So it is possible that you could
13 have a visual and an AQL and a tightened AQL;
14 that's possible?

15 A Yes, but not in that order.

16 Q What would the order be?

17 A It would be AQL, visual inspection,
18 tightened AQL.

19 Q And the decision to have a tightened
20 AQL would be made by whom, generally, at
21 Actavis in 2007?

22 A It would typically be done by -- at
23 Actavis it would be done by the director of
24 QA, but it's standard practice. It should be

1 standard practice.

2 Q So I don't mean to be zigzagging;
3 but back to this particular investigation,
4 it's Mr. Bitler who would have made the
5 decision to have a tightened AQL?

6 A Correct.

7 Q Do you know that from looking at the
8 documents or it's just policy?

9 A It's just policy.

10 Q Do you know -- well, strike that.
11 Have you spoken to Mr. Bitler since
12 you have left Actavis?

13 A No.

14 Q Did you speak to Mr. Bitler about
15 the visual inspection which was currently part
16 of 07-093?

17 A No.

18 Q Do you know from any other source,
19 since you didn't speak to Mr. Bitler, how the
20 visual inspection of 07-093 was conducted?

21 A I don't know the details, no.

22 Q You said a few minutes ago that
23 the -- and I can put it back on the screen,
24 but accept if one, reject if two, that bullet

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1 point, you said that didn't come out of the
2 clear, blue sky.

3 Can you tell me where it comes from?

4 A The AQL standards.

5 Q AQ -- is there something called an
6 AQL sample plan?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Is that what you're talking about?

9 A Yes.

10 Q I don't want to put words in your
11 mouth.

12 A Yes. But I will be honest with you;
13 I don't have all the detail. I can't give you
14 more than that to go on in terms of -- I can't
15 give you a specific reference to where you can
16 find them, but they're general standards used
17 throughout industry. So it's a typical QA
18 term.

19 Q Let me try to ask you direct, narrow
20 questions if I can.

21 A Okay.

22 Q And you can tell me you know or you
23 don't know. Is there something called an AQL
24 sample plan at Actavis in 2007-2008?

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1 A The sampling plans are based on AQL
2 standards. So anything that's routine would
3 typically be based on the AQL standards. This
4 is nonroutine, so they would most likely have
5 to go and research what the appropriate level
6 of -- level should be for this activity for
7 this particular scenario.

8 Q Appropriate level, meaning how much
9 investigation?

10 A How many to inspect based on what
11 the batch size is and what the sample sizes
12 should be and how -- and then the sample sizes
13 typically dictate what the criteria is.

14 Q Do you know, without guessing, where
15 someone like Mr. Bitler would go to to check
16 if this was a nonroutine situation?

17 A There are typical reference
18 documents that QA would have on-site.

19 Q What are they called?

20 A AQL standards. There's books and
21 published documents.

22 Q I want to go a step further back
23 than that. Is there a standard which Actavis
24 used to develop and define the AQL sample

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1 plan?

2 A I think I just said that. It says
3 here in this document: "The AQL sample will
4 be pulled by QA based on the following." And
5 they give you the level, the sample --

6 Q What page are you on, again?

7 A This is Page 60 of 67. It gives you
8 the detail all here in those bullet points.

9 Q Okay. But I'm going a step further
10 back than the AQL sample plan. Is there a
11 standard that Actavis used to develop the AQL
12 sample plan?

13 A No. The AQLs -- I don't know how to
14 answer that. You go to this reference
15 document. And based on -- for example, here
16 it's saying your batch size is approximately
17 4,747 tablets. So, therefore, that dictates a
18 certain sampling plan with a certain number of
19 tablets.

20 And then you devise how you're going
21 to randomly sample those. So you're using it
22 as your guide. So you look at the
23 reference -- you look at the AQL standards to
24 determine the sampling plan. So they did that

1 and then -- the QA folks did that, and then
2 they wrote down here what the criteria was and
3 what they based everything on.

4 Q Let me try it this way: If there's
5 a document called an AQL sample plan and if
6 there's a document or a binder of documents
7 called AQL standards, who writes them? Is it
8 Actavis or is it something that comes to
9 Actavis from an outside source?

10 A The AQL standards are from an
11 outside source.

12 Q Where?

13 A I told you before, I don't know
14 exactly where, but they're industry standards.
15 And they're used in multiple industries, not
16 just pharmaceutical.

17 Q Are they FDA approved, if you know
18 without guessing?

19 A Absolutely.

20 Q And the ones that Actavis uses are
21 FDA approved, if you know without guessing?

22 A They're accepted by -- it's accepted
23 practice by FDA. They're not specifically
24 approved by the Agency.

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1 Q I'm not trying to jump on your every
2 word, but I want to make sure the record's
3 clear. So it's FDA accepted, not FDA
4 approved?

5 A It's -- AQL standards are what FDA
6 would expect you to use as a reference to
7 develop sample plans.

8 Q How do you know that?

9 A Because when they inspect you, they
10 typically want to know how you developed your
11 sampling plans. And if you tell them you used
12 the AQL standards, they're usually satisfied.

13 Q So if there is a standard that has
14 been developed which was the source of the AQL
15 standards, you don't know what that is; is
16 that correct?

17 A I don't understand the question.

18 Q I'm trying to just find out -- I
19 thought that you said, "I don't know," and I'm
20 trying to make a clear record. If there is
21 some source that was used by the developers of
22 the AQL standards, you don't know what that
23 ultimate source was; correct?

24 A It comes -- yeah, I do not.

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1 MR. PETTIT: I think that's all
2 I have. Can I have two minutes and I'll
3 let you know?

4 MR. DEAN: Sure.

5 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the
6 record, 4:34.

7 (Short recess.)

8 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Back on the
9 record, 4:42.

10 MR. PETTIT: Ms. Lambridis,
11 that's all the questions I have. Thank
12 you very much. I appreciate it. And
13 other counsel are going to have some
14 questions for you.

15 BY MR. MILLER:

16 Q Mrs. Lambridis, my name is Pete
17 Miller. We just met. The arrangement's that
18 we're supposed to be done by 5 o'clock. I'm
19 going to try to wrap this up as close to 5:45,
20 which counsel has agreed to.

21 Your title -- correct me if I'm
22 wrong -- vice president of quality and
23 compliance; is that correct?

24 A US quality and compliance.

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1 Q US for Actavis?

2 A Yes.

3 Q And the term "quality" in there, am
4 I correct in saying that quality at a
5 pharmaceutical department can be split into
6 quality assurance and quality control?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And that "quality" in your title, is
9 that QA and QC?

10 A Yes.

11 Q So a couple times during the
12 deposition, you've referred to what you titled
13 "QA folks at Actavis." Are you in charge of
14 QA folks at Actavis?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And so I know we went through the
17 AQL with great detail. I want to ask a couple
18 follow-up questions. I'm not too much
19 concerned about the AQL. But the final
20 decision to accept if there's a lot with one
21 tablet out of spec, reject if there's two; am
22 I summarizing that correct?

23 MR. DEAN: Objection; misstates
24 the testimony.

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1 THE WITNESS: Can you just --

2 BY MR. MILLER:

3 Q Certainly. I can put it back up
4 there if you like.

5 A No; just your question.

6 Q Certainly.

7 MR. DEAN: Go ahead. I'll just
8 object again if I need to.

9 MR. MILLER: I didn't hear the
10 objection the first time.

11 MR. DEAN: I think the first
12 question misstated the evidence. I'm
13 trying to find the exhibit now.

14 MR. MILLER: I don't know what
15 my first question was.

16 MR. DEAN: It suggested that if
17 one tablet in an entire lot was found
18 wanting, you'd accept it; but if two
19 were, you'd reject it. And I think that
20 misstates what the exhibit says.

21 MR. MILLER: Well, I think I'm
22 going to go with you on this. I think
23 I'm going to put that exhibit back up on
24 the screen.

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1 MR. DEAN: I think it was a
2 smaller number that related to that one
3 and two, Pete. That's my point.

4 MR. MILLER: I got you.

5 BY MR. MILLER:

6 Q And that was Exhibit 16 previously
7 marked. You had a copy of it, ma'am. It
8 should be here.

9 A I put it back.

10 Q Okay. Fair enough. Specifically,
11 I'm going to put that page in question back up
12 you discussed at length.

13 MR. DEAN: Page 60.

14 BY MR. MILLER:

15 Q All right. We've talked at length
16 about digoxin tablets. And this is a
17 tightened AQL. And the bullet at the very
18 bottom was we accept on 1 and reject on 2
19 (total for batch).

20 What is the -- as you understand it
21 as the vice president of quality at Actavis,
22 what is the "accept on 1" what? What is
23 the 1?

24 A You are taking samples according to

1 the sample plan outlined above, in the bullets
2 above. So you're going to inspect another
3 1,250 -- so they did this inspection, and they
4 pulled the additional 15 tablets out.

5 And then from the batch, now that
6 they were going to deem acceptable, they did a
7 tightened AQL. So they took 1,250 tablets, 40
8 tablets from each of 33 drums, and then 10
9 tablets from the last drum, and they did -- QA
10 did a visual inspection of them.

11 And the criteria based on the
12 sampling plan was that it would be acceptable
13 if there was 1 and they would reject based on
14 the total batch.

15 Q Thank you. My question -- follow-up
16 question would be: Does this tightened AQL
17 carry on to subsequent batches and lots, or is
18 this a one-time thing?

19 A The tightened AQL is typically done
20 under these circumstances, and it's a one-time
21 event.

22 Q And at the time that this was
23 signed, we discussed January 2008, you were
24 the vice president of quality and compliance;

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1 correct?

2 A Correct.

3 Q And, well, my question is, then:
4 Was there any criteria written up on how to
5 handle the one tablet if one additional
6 double-thick tablet was found?

7 A No.

8 Q Were you involved -- were you
9 involved in discussions to determine that you
10 were going to accept on 1 and reject on 2?
11 When I say "you," I mean the company.

12 A I was not personally. That criteria
13 comes out of the AQL standards.

14 Q Fair enough.

15 Have you had any discussions with
16 any counsel in this case regarding potentially
17 giving testimony at trial?

18 A (Witness shakes head.)

19 Q You indicated currently your status
20 is consultant for Actavis?

21 A Yes.

22 Q How much are you currently getting
23 paid by Actavis?

24 A About 12,700 per month. That's

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1 before tax.

2 Q And it's not going -- is it going
3 directly to you or is it going to your
4 consulting company?

5 A It goes to the consulting company,
6 and it's a two-year period.

7 Q During the entire time you were
8 employed by Actavis before you became a
9 consultant, you indicated that Scott Talbot
10 reported to you?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Was his physical position, his desk,
13 in Florida the entire time?

14 A His location was originally in
15 Little Falls at the Main Street facility. And
16 then he subsequently took a new role which
17 placed him back down to Florida.

18 Q What were Scott Talbot's duties?
19 What did his duties entail as far as the 483
20 inspection in 2008?

21 A During the inspection, he was
22 on-site to assist. And he provided documents
23 and interviews during that inspection. But
24 because he was not actively in his -- he had

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1 moved on to a different role at that point in
2 time. So he was not full time on the site
3 anymore, which is why I was the one that was
4 the lead during that inspection.

5 Q What was the role that he moved into
6 during the inspection?

7 A Well, it was before that. He
8 transitioned into an opening that occurred in
9 Florida. There was a director -- or actually
10 it was an executive director of QA for that
11 R&D facility -- our R&D facility in Florida.
12 He left and took another job, and Scott
13 applied for that role and wanted to move back
14 down there because he was originally from that
15 area.

16 Q Is it your belief that -- well, I'm
17 correct in saying that you were the point
18 person for Actavis during the inspection?

19 A Correct.

20 Q Is it your belief that Scott Talbot
21 would have been the point person for the
22 inspection had he remained here in Jersey?

23 A Correct.

24 Q And I believe you agreed to earlier

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1 that there was a total failure of the quality
2 department at Actavis during the inspection of
3 2008?

4 A It's a little out of context, but I
5 believe the discussion was whether or not I
6 agreed to it in a conversation with Erin
7 during the closeout -- or during a meeting
8 with Erin.

9 Q Did you, as the vice president of
10 quality and compliance, during the FDA 483 in
11 2008 believe that there was a total failure of
12 the quality control system at Actavis? And
13 when I say that, I mean Little Falls and
14 Totowa.

15 A We didn't present ourselves well to
16 FDA, for sure. So it was very hard for me to
17 disagree with Erin during our discussions
18 because based on what she had reviewed, there
19 were numerous issues that she was able to
20 raise that, again, needed attention.

21 So, again, based on -- in the
22 context of what we were talking about and
23 based on the issues she presented, it was
24 not -- it was something that I couldn't

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1 refute.

2 Q Do you believe, as you sit here
3 today, that if all the findings were presented
4 in a different manner, that the production of
5 64 products would not have been discontinued?

6 A I don't understand the question.

7 Q Are you telling me that it was the
8 way that the violations were presented or the
9 inspection was presented that would have
10 classified it as a total failure of QC?

11 A No. What I'm saying is that she
12 reviewed a group of products that were
13 known -- already known issues that -- and the
14 reason that she focused on those is because we
15 had already informed the Agency that we had a
16 problem.

17 So when you're only looking at a
18 problem, your conclusion -- her conclusion was
19 then broadened to include everything. And her
20 comments were based on a sampling of the many
21 products that Actavis was making at the time.

22 Q So it's your belief that because she
23 found issues with certain products, that it
24 didn't carry over to other products?

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1 A Say that again.

2 Q Well, you were indicating that
3 Actavis stated that there were problems with
4 certain products, and those were the products
5 that they investigated?

6 A There's a mechanism and a
7 requirement that if you have an issue -- if
8 you do an investigation on a product that's
9 been marketed, that you have an obligation to
10 notify FDA.

11 So there were a number of -- and
12 even without that, every FDA inspection, when
13 they look at the quality system, it typically
14 asks you for documents related to your
15 investigations, your complaints, and so forth.
16 And they use that as a gauge for what they're
17 going to look at. So they come in, and she
18 was looking at our investigation log and
19 looking at investigations specifically. So
20 obviously she was going to be looking at
21 problem areas.

22 Q But you agree with me that it wasn't
23 so much the investigation that led to the
24 violations of GMP but how the investigations

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1 were handled?

2 A Correct. She was not happy with how
3 certain ones were handled. And how we got to
4 it broadening beyond that was the fact that
5 she focused on a certain number of products
6 and then drew her conclusions based on that.

7 Q At the time of the inspection,
8 Actavis was manufacturing 64 products; is that
9 correct?

10 A I don't recall the number, but there
11 was at least that.

12 Q Okay. And at least that and my list
13 is including the Digitek. And my question is:
14 You agree that 64 products, including Digitek,
15 were discontinued because the quality control
16 system at Actavis had several failures?

17 A I'm trying to find a short way to
18 answer that. One thing led to another is the
19 easiest way for me to say that. We talked
20 earlier about PAREXEL's review and discussions
21 that occurred with the Agency even prior to
22 the inspection closing.

23 So Erin looked at a number of
24 products that were subject to investigations

1 and was drawing conclusions and was asking us
2 to prove to her that that wasn't the case with
3 all products.

4 So that was why we had engaged
5 PAREXEL. That was to get a third-party,
6 unbiased review of these other products so
7 that we could provide that evidence to the
8 Agency to show them that the issue was not
9 widespread.

10 Q But ultimately the FDA concluded
11 that the issue was widespread?

12 A Based on Erin's comments, yes.

13 Q Based on the FDA inspector's
14 comments?

15 A Right.

16 Q And did you find any fault with the
17 FDA inspector's comments?

18 A I -- there were things that we did
19 disagree on. But her comments were basically
20 accurate, you know -- yes, her comments were
21 accurate. What she presented was accurate.

22 Q As you sit here now, anything -- do
23 you recall anything specifically that you
24 disagreed with the FDA inspector as far as her

1 findings during the 483?

2 A Fundamental issues. I mean, Erin is
3 a very good investigator, very thorough, but
4 she has her own opinions, like anybody does.
5 So she had feelings about things that we
6 implemented that perhaps were given the
7 go-ahead by prior FDA investigators that
8 perhaps she felt differently about.

9 So there were things that were
10 discussed during the course of the
11 investigation that I viewed one way and she
12 viewed another, but that's not unusual.

13 Q Can you think of any specifics, any
14 issues or topics that she viewed one way and
15 you viewed another?

16 MR. DEAN: I've been letting --
17 let me just object. I'll try to be
18 succinct here. I've been letting the
19 general inquiry about non-Digitek
20 products go at a general level.

21 I don't object to her answering
22 that question as to Digitek specifics.
23 But as to general details -- I'm sorry --
24 as to specific details of discussions she

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1 had with Erin about non-Digitek products,
2 I'm going to instruct her not to answer
3 the question as to details.

4 I might at a general level if
5 you're inquiring about whether there was
6 a concern about quality control; but as
7 to the specifics, I'm going to instruct
8 her not to answer on non-Digitek
9 products.

10 BY MR. MILLER:

11 Q Were there any specifics that you
12 recall that you disagreed on from the findings
13 of the FDA inspector during the '08 483
14 inspection?

15 MR. DEAN: Let me just instruct
16 you just to answer that with respect to
17 Digitek.

18 BY MR. MILLER:

19 Q And I'll point out that you can
20 answer with respect to Digitek or any general
21 GMP violations. It can be general issues or
22 Digitek. It doesn't have to be just Digitek.

23 MR. DEAN: At a general level,
24 I'm fine. But if you're asking her for

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1 specific comments about non-Digitek
2 drugs, I think that is beyond the scope
3 of what's in PTO-12 and 27. If you're at
4 a general level, I'm okay with it. But I
5 think your last question could lead her
6 to go into specifics. And I'm just
7 instructing her, as to specifics, to
8 limit it to Digitek.

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q If you understood all those
11 instructions, ma'am, it's okay to answer.

12 A I think I can answer it. In the
13 case of Digitek and with some of the other
14 drugs that were recalled, I didn't always see
15 the logic in extending it to all batches. And
16 that doesn't mean that I didn't execute on all
17 batches because there was -- when you're
18 dealing in a situation as I was in, you get to
19 a point where you just -- in order to advance
20 to the next point and not belabor the point,
21 there's certain concessions that are made.

22 So in the case of some of the other
23 recalls, which based on his instruction, I'm
24 not going to give you the detail, but there

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1 were situations where there was an issue with
2 one batch and, through her interpretation, it
3 implicated all batches.

4 Q How many -- I'm sorry.

5 A And I didn't always agree with that.

6 Q How many of the 64 products, give or
7 take -- I understand your position there --
8 were ultimately recalled?

9 A All the products were recalled.

10 Q And was that every batch in every
11 product?

12 A Yes.

13 Q So --

14 A But there were multiple recalls, so
15 you have to distinguish one from the other.
16 There was a set of recalls that was done
17 initially for stability-related issues. Those
18 are the ones that I'm referring to now when I
19 say that one batch with a problem, even though
20 it was a stability batch, to me did not always
21 mean or based on -- based on the issue --
22 again, I can't go into detail.

23 But her view was that it should have
24 been all batches based on that, and my view

1 was that I didn't believe that was the case.
2 But I didn't argue that point. I conceded
3 that point, and we recalled everything.

4 The 65 products that you're
5 referring to is part of the last recall. And
6 that recall, again, was a concession to remove
7 product from the market in order for Actavis
8 to even have a discussion with the Agency
9 about next steps and getting their site back
10 into a position where they can manufacture
11 product.

12 Q Okay. Sixty-five products was the
13 last set?

14 A Was the last set.

15 Q How large were the other sets? I
16 thought 65 was the total universe of products
17 at Actavis, Little Falls, Totowa?

18 A I don't recall, but I don't think
19 so. I think 65 was the last set.

20 Q And, in your mind, Digitek was one
21 product that was recalled on its own set?

22 A Correct.

23 Q Okay. And then there was a -- was
24 the stability recall, was that the group of 65

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1 or was that a subset of the 65?

2 A The stability group was the first
3 set of recalls around the same time frame as
4 the digoxin recall. And I don't recall if --
5 I think it was about a dozen products.

6 Q Was there also an
7 out-of-specification group, an OOS group?

8 A That's the stability group.

9 Q That's the stability. Okay. Am I
10 correct in saying that if a manufacturing
11 company of pharmaceutical products violates a
12 CGMP, that it's viewed that the lab has
13 violated that CGMP for all products?

14 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

15 Go ahead.

16 THE WITNESS: I don't
17 understand the question.

18 BY MR. MILLER:

19 Q Have you seen -- I'm going to hand
20 you what's been previously marked, if you
21 bring up, Mike, a copy of Exhibit 82, which
22 was the Complaint for permanent injunction.

23 Have you seen this document before?

24 A Yes.

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1 Q And what was the occasion which you
2 had an opportunity to read it?

3 MR. DEAN: Let me just instruct
4 the witness she can answer questions at a
5 general level about this document; but,
6 again, given PTO 12 and 27, I don't want
7 her to get into specific discussions of
8 products other than Digitek. But she can
9 answer your questions at a general level
10 regarding this document.

11 Go ahead.

12 BY MR. MILLER:

13 Q Well, this document was filed, if
14 you look at the last page, on November 14th,
15 2008. And you were in your position as vice
16 president of quality and compliance at Actavis
17 at that time; correct?

18 A No. I resigned on the 13th. This
19 document was filed but not in this form.

20 This is the final consent decree?
21 Is that what I'm looking at?

22 Q No, ma'am. This is the Complaint
23 that led to the consent decree.

24 A Oh, this is the Complaint.

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1 Q And on November 14, 2008, I believe
2 you were still at Actavis; correct?

3 A Yes. I did see this document. I,
4 though, obtained it on the Internet.

5 Q Did you -- were you in the position
6 of vice president of quality and compliance
7 when you downloaded this off the Internet?

8 A Technically, yes, but I was not
9 on-site. I resigned on the 13th. This was
10 filed on the 14th. And then on the 17th, it
11 was my last day on-site.

12 Q Of December?

13 A No.

14 Q November?

15 A Of November.

16 Q I'm sorry. I wrote down that you
17 worked for Actavis until December 1st of 2008.

18 A On the record, I was paid until
19 December 1st as an employee.

20 Q Oh, okay.

21 A But I didn't actively work there
22 after the 17th.

23 Q So right around the time you were
24 resigning is when you read this document?

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1 A Correct.

2 Q And you read it -- did you read the
3 entire document?

4 A Then I did, yes.

5 MR. MILLER: If you would,
6 Mike, go to Page 6, and if you would
7 enlarge Paragraph 13.

8 BY MR. MILLER:

9 Q Paragraph 13 -- and this is filed by
10 the Department of Justice -- states that
11 compliance with CGMP requirements assures that
12 drugs meet the requirements of the FDCA as to
13 safety and have the identity, strength and
14 meet the quality and purity characteristics
15 that they purport or are represented to
16 possess. Drugs not manufactured, processed,
17 packed, or held in conformance with CGMP
18 requirements are deemed adulterated as a
19 matter of law, without any showing of actual
20 defect. Regulations implementing the CGMP
21 provisions are set forth at 21 CFR 210, 211.

22 Did I read that correctly?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Do you agree that the drugs being

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1 manufactured at this time would be considered
2 adulterated drugs?

3 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

4 Excuse me. What drugs are you asking
5 about? I want to be more specific.

6 MR. MILLER: Drugs manufactured
7 by Actavis at Little Falls and Totowa.

8 MR. DEAN: And your question is
9 what?

10 BY MR. MILLER:

11 Q Would you have considered -- did
12 you, as the vice president of quality and
13 compliance, agree with the Department of
14 Justice that the drugs manufactured were
15 adulterated drugs?

16 MR. DEAN: Objection; calls for
17 a legal conclusion.

18 Go ahead.

19 Go ahead.

20 THE WITNESS: Answer it?

21 I wouldn't agree that -- no, I
22 don't agree with the Department of
23 Justice. I believe that there were
24 issues involved with certain batches with

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1 certain products that may have violated
2 GMP and may have had issues, but I don't
3 agree that all the drugs manufactured.

4 BY MR. MILLER:

5 Q Were GMPs violated in the production
6 of Digitek?

7 A Technically, no. They followed
8 standard practices. They did an
9 investigation. They did all the necessary
10 things that they should have done.

11 I think it was a judgment call
12 perhaps on the amount of scrutiny that they
13 put that batch through after finding such an
14 issue. And it's always easy to look at it in
15 hindsight and think of 50 other things you
16 should have done.

17 But there was nothing related to
18 that -- the only thing that I can -- they
19 followed procedures that were in place. There
20 was a mechanism in place. It was not done
21 randomly.

22 Q I understand your answer to go
23 specifically to the double-thick pills.

24 A Correct.

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1 Q And I'm more of a broader question.
2 The production of Digitek, if one were to
3 review the 483 and all the write-ups, you
4 agree that there were other write-ups about
5 digoxin and Digitek other than the
6 double-thick pills?

7 A I don't recall. I thought the
8 majority of what was there was related to the
9 one batch, but I don't know. Without seeing
10 that, I couldn't comment.

11 Q All right. We'll certainly cover
12 that as well.

13 Mike, would you blow up
14 Paragraph 12, please.

15 FDA's inspections establish that the
16 drugs being manufactured and distributed by
17 Defendants are adulterated within the meaning
18 of 21 USC 351, Paragraph (a)(2)(B), in that
19 the methods used in, or the facilities or
20 controls used for, their manufacture,
21 processing, packing, or holding do not conform
22 to or are not operated or administered in
23 conformity with the GMP requirements for
24 drugs.

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1 So --

2 MR. DEAN: Let me just -- is
3 that just -- you're reading the question,
4 and you're going to ask if you read it
5 right? Or do you have a question?

6 MR. MILLER: You cut me off
7 before I even got a chance to ask a
8 question, Dick.

9 MR. DEAN: Go ahead and ask
10 your question.

11 BY MR. MILLER:

12 Q Did I read that correctly?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And it's your testimony here that
15 you disagree with that, or do you agree with
16 that paragraph?

17 MR. DEAN: Let me object and
18 reiterate the objection I gave before and
19 instruct her not to answer about details
20 of other non-Digitek drugs. She can
21 certainly answer about Digitek, and she
22 can answer at a general level.

23 Go ahead.

24 THE WITNESS: To me, this

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1 paragraph just states what FDA does. FDA
2 inspections establish that. It doesn't
3 speak specific to Actavis. It's just
4 stating that.

5 BY MR. MILLER:

6 Q Well, you're not an attorney;
7 correct?

8 A I'm not an attorney.

9 Q If you go to that first page, ma'am,
10 this is a Complaint that the United States of
11 America filed against Actavis Totowa and other
12 defendants.

13 And enumerated Paragraph 12 is:
14 "FDA's inspections establish that the drugs
15 being manufactured and distributed by
16 Defendants are adulterated."

17 It's not what the -- I'll represent
18 to you that it's not what the FDA does. It's
19 not explaining a duty. It's explaining a
20 finding that if methods used or facilities or
21 controls used for their manufacture,
22 processing, packing, or holding do not conform
23 to or are not operated or administered in
24 conformity with the CGMP requirements for

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1 drugs, what they've done is defined what an
2 adulterated drug is.

3 Do you understand the paragraph,
4 ma'am?

5 MR. DEAN: Same objection. She
6 can answer with regard to Digitek.

7 I instruct you not to answer as
8 to the specifics on other drugs.

9 Go ahead.

10 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Now
11 that I'm rereading the paragraph, can you
12 ask me the question again?

13 BY MR. MILLER:

14 Q Certainly. Do you feel that you
15 understand the paragraph now?

16 A Now I understand the paragraph, yes.

17 Q Had you received training in CGMPs
18 as a vice president of quality and compliance?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Are you familiar with US -- with
21 21 USC 351 (a) (2) (B)?

22 A Actually, not specifically. I
23 couldn't tell you what that reference is in
24 detail. GMPs are Sections 210 and 211 cited

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1 below.

2 Q But you're not familiar with
3 Section 351?

4 A I may be, but I can't recall what
5 section that is.

6 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 124
7 was marked for identification.)

8 BY MR. MILLER:

9 Q I'm going to hand you what I'm going
10 to mark as Exhibit 124. Ma'am, this is, I'll
11 represent to you, Title 21 of the Food and
12 Drug's Chapter 9, Subchapter V, Part A. And
13 specifically it's Section 351 titled
14 "Adulterated drugs and devices."

15 And the only section that's
16 specifically cited here in the Complaint by
17 the United States is 351(a)(2)(B). And that
18 is: A drug or device shall be deemed to be
19 adulterated -- and it goes into (a)(2)(B)
20 here -- and that is poisonous, insanitary,
21 et cetera, ingredients; adequate controls in
22 manufacture. And (2)(b) goes on to say that
23 it is such if it is a drug and the methods
24 used in, or facilities or controls used for,

1 its manufacture, processing, packing, or
2 holding do not conform to or are not operated
3 or administered in conformity with current
4 good manufacturing practices to assure that
5 the drug meets the requirements of this
6 chapter as to safety and has the identity and
7 strength and meets the quality and purity
8 characteristics which it purports or is
9 represented to possess.

10 A, did I read that correctly?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Have you seen this document before?

13 A No.

14 Q Did you receive any training on the
15 topic when you received training on CGMPs?

16 A I've read this in the context --
17 elsewhere but not in this specific section
18 of -- this description is in other parts of
19 GMP but not in this -- I've never seen this
20 section.

21 Q Okay. Do you agree that if a
22 pharmaceutical lab for a manufacturing company
23 has issues with manufacturing, processing,
24 packing, or the facilities or controls used

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1 for, that that labels the drugs manufactured
2 by that company as adulterated drugs?

3 MR. DEAN: Calls for a legal
4 conclusion.

5 Go ahead.

6 THE WITNESS: I don't know
7 where the lab fits into all of this. You
8 keep referring to the lab.

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q If the QC, quality control, systems
11 of a pharmaceutical company are in violation
12 of Section 351, Adulterated drugs and devices,
13 is it -- would you agree with the statement
14 that if there is a processing issue or
15 something wrong with methods used in the
16 facilities or controls, that it's deemed that
17 the adulterated drug extends out to all
18 products made?

19 MR. DEAN: Same objection;
20 calls for a conclusion of law, also
21 assumes facts not in evidence.

22 Go ahead.

23 BY MR. MILLER:

24 Q It's okay to answer.

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1 A It's a very convoluted question, but
2 I'll try to answer it.

3 I think what you're asking me is
4 that if a company is in violation of GMP or if
5 something is not produced under GMP
6 conditions, is it adulterated?

7 Q Yes. You asked it much better
8 than I.

9 A Yes.

10 Q You agree with that?

11 A It is.

12 Q And you agree that if Product A is
13 the one that has the CGMP violation for
14 manufacturing processes or whatever issues, if
15 Product A uses the same manufacturing process
16 and issues, that it is also an adulterated
17 drug? Is that what the --

18 A No.

19 Q -- Complaint is stating?

20 MR. DEAN: Objection to form;
21 calls for a legal conclusion.

22 THE WITNESS: No, I don't agree
23 with that because you're talking about a
24 process. And to me, a process that you

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1 use to manufacture is how you manufacture
2 that drug.

3 And there's a formulation
4 that's associated with a certain drug.
5 And not all drugs are produced with the
6 same formulation or the same process.

7 BY MR. MILLER:

8 Q You would disagree with the
9 statement that if a quality control system
10 department of a pharmaceutical lab had a GMP
11 violation in stability, that that general GMP
12 violation doesn't carry over to stability for
13 all products?

14 A Still, it's not -- it would depend
15 on the case. You're -- you can have a
16 stability issue or a problem with -- it would
17 vary -- you'd have to be more detailed to
18 that.

19 Q As we sit here, you're not aware of
20 any GMP violations on Digitek in particular?

21 A No, I'm not aware of any on Digitek
22 in particular.

23 Q Let's go to Page 7 of the Complaint,
24 Paragraph 16.

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1 Blow that up, please.

2 Paragraph 16 states that the FDA's
3 inspection of Actavis Totowa's Little Falls
4 facility from January 10 to February 8, 2006,
5 revealed that the firm failed to comply with
6 GMP requirements in several respects,
7 including, for example, it failed to
8 investigate unexplained out-of-specification
9 testing results for drugs, specifically
10 21 CFR 211.192.

11 And my question is: Do you agree
12 that failing to investigate unexplained
13 out-of-specification testing is a violation of
14 CGMP?

15 MR. DEAN: Objection; calls for
16 a legal conclusion.

17 Go ahead.

18 THE WITNESS: Yes, it is a
19 violation.

20 BY MR. MILLER:

21 Q If we go to Page 10 and take a look
22 at Paragraph 21, the Complaint by the
23 US Department of Justice goes on to say that
24 from March 18 to May 20th, 2008, FDA inspected

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1 Actavis Totowa's Riverview Drive facility.
2 Throughout the inspection, the FDA
3 investigators advised defendants of the
4 numerous and significant deviations from the
5 CGMP requirements that the investigators
6 observed so the firm could take responsive
7 actions to protect the public health.

8 Ma'am, you would agree that you were
9 part of the conversations in which the FDA
10 investigators advised Actavis of the numerous
11 and significant deviations from CGMP?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And do you agree that there were
14 numerous and significant deviations from CGMP
15 during the March 18th to May 20, 2008,
16 inspection?

17 A Yes, I would have to agree.

18 MR. MILLER: Would you call up

19 Exhibit 91.

20 BY MR. MILLER:

21 Q That first page -- we've gone over
22 this document in some detail. I'm going to
23 make a very good attempt not to ask questions
24 that have already been asked, although I'm

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1 going to cover some statements that have
2 already been covered.

3 MR. MILLER: If you would
4 enlarge the summary of the establishment
5 inspection report that was discussed
6 earlier.

7 THE WITNESS: Could I have a
8 copy?

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q You certainly may.

11 That summary was already read into
12 the record earlier, but I'll read the first
13 sentence again: An inspection of this large
14 generic prescription pharmaceutical
15 manufacturer was conducted as a qualifying GMP
16 inspection of a new site, 990 Riverview Drive,
17 Totowa, as per FACTS Assignment -- and it
18 gives the number, Operation ID, number.

19 When it states that it's an
20 inspection to qualify the GMP department, am I
21 paraphrasing that right?

22 A There's no GMP department. It's
23 doing a general GMP inspection of a site.

24 Q And when you use the term "general

1 GMP inspection," would they look at good
2 manufacturing practices -- if they look at,
3 say, stability and the amount of time that you
4 have in this field, will they go through and
5 qualify GMP stability for every product or do
6 they qualify stability for one or two
7 products? They wouldn't go through 64
8 products? -- is my question.

9 A Correct.

10 Q So there's a general term there
11 where, okay, three or four products or
12 whatever number it might be are approved for
13 GMP for stability, or any other example, then
14 it's approved across the board; is that
15 correct?

16 A They look at the system itself, and
17 they use a sampling of the products to
18 determine if that system's working.

19 Q Would you agree with me that when
20 they look at the system, again, they look at
21 stability; they don't look at stability for
22 each and every of the 64 products; is that
23 correct?

24 A Correct.

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1 Q And does the counterpart hold true?
2 When they come in to inspect, they won't
3 inspect every product's stability testing;
4 they'll inspect a couple and then say you
5 violated the GMP for stability across the
6 board; is that correct?

7 MR. DEAN: Objection.

8 Go ahead.

9 THE WITNESS: If it's not
10 specific to a product, yes, then that
11 would be true. So if they found a
12 problem that was related specifically to
13 one product, then you couldn't make that
14 assumption. But if they found a general
15 problem, then you could.

16 BY MR. MILLER:

17 Q Would you describe a general
18 problem? If they found GMP violations in
19 three or four products out of 64, that then
20 does it become a general problem?

21 MR. DEAN: Objection;
22 incomplete hypothetical.

23 BY MR. MILLER:

24 Q It's okay to answer.

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1 A I was just saying that that's just
2 not the best example to use for that.

3 Q You're in the field. Give me an
4 example.

5 A Say what you were -- what you asked.

6 Q Well, we've identified if one
7 product is tested for something, say,
8 stability, and that one product is the only
9 product that's been found to violate CGMP,
10 that we consider it a one-product problem.

11 In your mind, if there's 65
12 products, how many products have to fail
13 stability before you would say it's a general
14 GMP violation?

15 MR. DEAN: Objection;
16 incomplete hypothetical.

17 Go ahead.

18 THE WITNESS: Their
19 inspectional approach is to look at
20 systems. So there's six systems. So
21 stability is part of a laboratory system.
22 So when they do an inspection, they
23 typically look at a quality system. And
24 even in the quality system, there are a

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1 lot of subcategories based on the
2 different activities that quality
3 performs.

4 So when FDA's review -- they
5 need to review enough to make a -- to
6 draw some kind of opinion of what --
7 whether they feel that that system's
8 working or not.

9 And what you're -- where you
10 were going with that is that if they find
11 one thing wrong, they're not going to
12 necessarily implicate the whole system;
13 but if they find multiple things wrong,
14 then they would implicate the whole
15 system.

16 BY MR. MILLER:

17 Q Yes. And my question is: Being
18 that you've been in the field for so many
19 years and have so much experience, how many
20 multiple -- and by way of example, the
21 laboratory system, stability testing, what is
22 your opinion as to how many products would
23 have to fail or issues in stability,
24 violations of CGMP would they have to find

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1 before it is an across-the-board, general
2 problem?

3 MR. DEAN: Objection to form;

4 vague, ambiguous; lab system's undefined,
5 numerous other terms undefined. The
6 question is vague and ambiguous.

7 BY MR. MILLER:

8 Q It's okay to answer.

9 MR. DEAN: Go ahead if you can.

10 THE WITNESS: I forgot the
11 question.

12 BY MR. MILLER:

13 Q Using your term, "laboratory
14 system," stability testing falls under
15 laboratory systems, which we have established.
16 And you indicated that one would be a problem
17 with that product, and you also indicated that
18 "multiple" would be an indication of
19 across-the-board problem.

20 My question is: How many?

21 A How many? There's no definitive
22 number.

23 And just to clarify, in this
24 particular case, we had multiple stability

1 failures that led to recalls and those
2 products were recalled; but they were
3 product-related because, generally speaking,
4 the lab got a clean bill of health in this
5 inspection, for the most part. That was the
6 area that they praised in terms of labs. So
7 the fact that the lab found the out-of-specs,
8 I mean, it went to their credit.

9 If you recall, you put something up
10 a few minutes ago that criticized the company
11 from the prior inspection, whereby they were
12 not opening any investigations. And you asked
13 me if that was a violation of GMP, and it is.

14 So the company had come quite a ways
15 in that they were opening these
16 investigations. Now, of course, they were now
17 cited for failing to close them in a timely
18 fashion, but it was a new problem. It was a
19 related problem.

20 But now the company was -- the
21 laboratory was actually given kudos for the
22 fact that it had done well during this
23 inspection, despite the stability failures
24 because they were product-related. They were

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1 related to either an issue with a product or a
2 batch or a method or something, something
3 else.

4 MR. MILLER: Let's go to Page 2
5 of 95. And blow up the last five lines.
6 There's a sentence that begins with
7 "however."

8 BY MR. MILLER:

9 Q And if you could start, read
10 whatever you need to catch up. But it begins
11 with "However," the bottom of the page, four
12 or five lines up from the bottom.

13 And it says regarding this
14 inspection: However, there is no assurance of
15 the strength, quality and purity of the
16 approximately -- redacted number -- of other
17 products that remain on the market, all lots
18 remaining in the two distribution centers, and
19 the in-process products that remain at the
20 firm's Little Falls, New Jersey, and Totowa,
21 New Jersey, locations. The products were
22 manufactured, tested and released by the same
23 quality system.

24 Now, do you find praise in that --

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1 MR. DEAN: Objection. She said
2 that the lab was given high marks.

3 THE WITNESS: The laboratory.

4 BY MR. MILLER:

5 Q Does the laboratory do the testing
6 that assures strength, quality, and purity?

7 A The laboratory does the testing, but
8 QA releases the product. And from what we've
9 seen throughout, the QA group is the group
10 that was targeted here, not the lab.

11 Q Can you think of any document that
12 gave praise to the lab as you sit here? Is
13 there any document that stands out in your
14 mind?

15 A There should -- I don't know if we
16 had it in front of us today, but there's
17 references to conversations about the
18 laboratory in some of the documents related to
19 this inspection. So it should be in the
20 minutes somewhere, perhaps the closeout
21 minutes. I don't recall where we saw that.

22 MR. MILLER: We're going to
23 take a quick break to swap out tapes.
24 Let's make it real fast, like five

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1 minutes, so I can wrap this up.

2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're now
3 going off the record. This is the end of
4 Videotape No. 5. The time is 5:32.

5 (Short recess.)

6 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now
7 back on the record. This is the
8 beginning of Videotape No. 6. The time
9 is 5:38.

10 MR. MILLER: Mike, Page 13 and
11 blow up the paragraph that's titled
12 "Inspectional Coverage."

13 BY MR. MILLER:

14 Q If you take a look at that, please,
15 Ms. Lambridis. Under Inspectional Coverage,
16 it states: "The inspection was planned as a
17 qualifying cGMP inspection of the new site "--
18 redaction -- "and preapproval inspection. Due
19 to the cGMP issues identified, the Quality
20 System was the only system reviewed. The
21 inspection did not include the review of
22 preapproval applications. However, a list of
23 pending ANDAs and supplements was provided as
24 Exhibit 25."

1 The next sentence: Although a
2 review of the new laboratory was conducted,
3 comprehensive coverage was not afforded due to
4 the significant deficiencies of the Quality
5 System.

6 Do you recall that due to the
7 deficiencies, significant deficiencies of the
8 quality system, that there was not
9 comprehensive coverage of the laboratory? Do
10 you agree with that statement?

11 A They did not do a full laboratory
12 inspection. As I explained before, there are
13 six systems. Quality is one, packaging is
14 one, manufacturing is one, laboratory is one.
15 So they looked at the quality system only.
16 And as I said, under quality, there's subparts
17 that interact with the lab, so investigation,
18 complaints, things that are related to
19 laboratory testing. So they didn't do -- this
20 is correct in that they did not do a
21 comprehensive review of the laboratory.

22 Q Okay. So when they say "quality
23 systems," what different departments fall
24 under that?

1 A Mainly QA, but it relates to
2 other -- it relates to all areas. That's why
3 they look at the quality system because it
4 relates to the entire facility. So it
5 involves change control, annual product
6 reviews, investigations, complaint handling,
7 things that would go across the board.

8 Q But you agree that due to the
9 significant deficiencies of the quality
10 system, that comprehensive coverage of the
11 laboratory was not conducted? Do you agree
12 with the statement?

13 MR. DEAN: It doesn't say
14 "comprehensive coverage of the
15 laboratory." You added a word there.

16 THE WITNESS: It says here they
17 did review the new laboratory. So there
18 was an inspection -- part of this
19 inspection included a review of the
20 laboratory at Riverview, but they didn't
21 do the full laboratory GMP inspection.

22 BY MR. MILLER:

23 Q But the plan was to do just that?

24 A The plan was to do a GMP inspection

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1 and a preapproval of the entire facility.

2 Q But you agree that due to
3 significant deficiencies in the CGMP area,
4 that they never got to the second stage;
5 correct?

6 A Oh, yes. That's what she's saying;
7 they never got there.

8 Q Go to Page 15 of 95, please.

9 You agree that that quality system
10 or the area in which there were deficiencies
11 of the GCMP program were found, that Digitek
12 was one of the products that fell under the
13 umbrella of the quality system?

14 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

15 Go ahead.

16 THE WITNESS: What's that
17 question again?

18 BY MR. MILLER:

19 Q Well, was it the significant
20 deficiencies, violations of CGMPs that were
21 found that ultimately resulted in the ceasing
22 of production of all products at Actavis
23 Totowa?

24 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.

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1 Go ahead.

2 THE WITNESS: You asked
3 something specific to digoxin.

4 MR. DEAN: He changed the
5 question.

6 MR. MILLER: I did because I
7 forgot the first one. You're going to
8 get me to forget the second one if you
9 don't give me an answer.

10 MR. DEAN: Why don't you try
11 again.

12 BY MR. MILLER:

13 Q As the vice president of quality and
14 compliance at Actavis for a large area but
15 speaking to Totowa and all the products that
16 manufacturing of was ceased, were all the
17 products terminated because of violations of
18 GMPs?

19 MR. DEAN: Objection.

20 Go ahead.

21 THE WITNESS: When we ceased
22 manufacturing? You're referring to the
23 cease of manufacturing?

24

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1 BY MR. MILLER:

2 Q Yes.

3 A The products -- we discontinued
4 manufacturing because Erin raised the concern
5 regarding the fact that she couldn't -- she
6 reviewed certain products and she had issues.
7 And she extended that across the board and
8 asked us to provide her with evidence to the
9 contrary.

10 So in the absence of being able to
11 present her now with evidence for every
12 product, that it was -- that a review had been
13 done and that it was good, we ceased
14 manufacturing. And that's when we called
15 PAREXEL in to do that review so that we could
16 provide that to her.

17 Q And whether or not double-thick
18 tablets were found in Digitek, production
19 would have ceased on Digitek just the same?

20 MR. DEAN: Objection; misstates
21 the prior testimony.

22 Go ahead.

23 MR. MILLER: I'm not stating
24 any prior testimony.

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1 BY MR. MILLER:

2 Q My question is: If double-thick
3 tablets had never been discovered in any
4 Digitek lot or batch, would you agree that
5 production line would have stopped just the
6 same?

7 A It would have been part of that
8 group of products. Whatever we were
9 manufacturing was stopped. So Digitek -- even
10 if she never found an issue with Digitek,
11 that's what you're asking?

12 Q Yes.

13 A If she never found any issue with
14 Digitek, that would have been stopped with all
15 the others.

16 Q No. I'm talking about that specific
17 issue. There were several issues. I guess
18 that specific issue of double-thick tablets,
19 had that not been found, the production of
20 Digitek still would have ceased?

21 A Yes, because we ceased everything.
22 So it would have been included in the whole
23 group.

24 Q And the whole group ceased because

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1 of significant GMP violations?

2 A She found CGMP violations with
3 respect to certain things that she had looked
4 at and extended it across the board. And it
5 was up to -- she was asking us to prove
6 otherwise. So we had to stop in order to
7 evaluate and provide that information.

8 Q And her findings came in the way of
9 observations in the 483?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And it was those observations in the
12 483 and violations of the GMP written in that
13 document that led to the cease of production
14 of all products; you agree with that?

15 A Yes, even though we ceased before
16 actually having the official 483.

17 Q Page 43 of 95, please.

18 And you agree that one group of
19 production recalls were due to stability, but
20 you agree that that was also -- included
21 out-of-specification results; is that correct?

22 MR. DEAN: Can I have that
23 question again? I'm sorry.

24 MR. MILLER: Well, yeah, I

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1 agree. I think I lost myself on that
2 one.

3 BY MR. MILLER:

4 Q We broke this recall in --

5 MR. DEAN: You're on Page 43?

6 MR. MILLER: I am. Yes, I am.

7 BY MR. MILLER:

8 Q We broke the recall down into
9 separate groups, and it was Digitek on its own
10 and then another group were stability issues
11 and then another larger group of shutting
12 everything down?

13 A Yes.

14 Q You agree?

15 A Agree. I think there was actually
16 another group but --

17 Q Okay. There was another group on
18 top of that.

19 A Another group.

20 Q Take a look at Observation No. 4 if
21 you would, please. And I'm going to ask you a
22 question about that, what's on the remainder
23 of Page 43 after Observation 4.

24 A Okay.

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1 Q I just want to ask you basically a
2 general question without getting too much into
3 the specifics.

4 You agree that this is a GMP
5 violation found by the FDA specifically
6 regarding Digitek, and it has nothing to do
7 with the double-thick lot?

8 MR. DEAN: That Observation 4?

9 MR. MILLER: Yes.

10 MR. DEAN: Okay. Go ahead.

11 THE WITNESS: She -- it's --
12 part of this is the observation, and part
13 of it is her background information. So
14 the first sentence is the GMP -- the GMP
15 issue. The "specifically" part is the
16 example which involves Digitek.

17 BY MR. MILLER:

18 Q Right. It's an example of a
19 violation of GMP; do you agree?

20 A It's the example she's using to
21 state that that GMP issue was --

22 Q Was violated.

23 A -- violated.

24 MR. DEAN: Was observed. It's

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1 an EIR.

2 THE WITNESS: Because she
3 justifies her reaction.

4 MR. MILLER: Well, I'm not
5 looking for your answer. I'm looking for
6 her answer.

7 MR. DEAN: I'll clear it up
8 later on. Keep going.

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q Do you agree that specifically --
11 when you look at the paragraph "Specifically"
12 and it says: Although three out of --
13 although three out-of-specification results
14 were obtained for blend uniformity at the
15 Right-Top sample location for digoxin
16 tablets -- and it goes on and on. You've read
17 it.

18 You agree that this is an example of
19 a GMP violation that she recorded during her
20 observation during the 483 inspection?

21 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.
22 Go ahead.

23 THE WITNESS: She -- her
24 observation is the first sentence. And

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1 she's using what she observed with this
2 digoxin to substantiate that GMP issue.

3 BY MR. MILLER:

4 Q And the GMP issue is she's outlining
5 a violation of the GMP issue?

6 A Right. And then the rest of it is
7 her rationale.

8 Q I'm sorry. We stepped on each
9 other. Just to get something clean, her
10 write-up is about a violation of a GMP
11 specific to Digitek?

12 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.
13 Go ahead.

14 THE WITNESS: No. That's why
15 I'm saying it's not specific to Digitek.

16 BY MR. MILLER:

17 Q What is it specific to?

18 A She's using this digoxin example --
19 this example, which happens to be digoxin, to
20 substantiate her claim that determinations of
21 conformance to appropriate written
22 specifications for acceptance are deficient
23 for in-process materials. That's the GMP
24 issue. She's using this as the example. It

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1 happens to be Digitek. So it's not specific
2 to Digitek is what I'm saying.

3 Q Even though it says "specifically"
4 and gives an example?

5 A It says "specifically" to say
6 because every --

7 Q I'm with you. Okay.

8 A Every observation has to be
9 substantiated.

10 Q Okay. So is it specific to the GMP
11 or the quality systems? It's specific to the
12 quality system, not so much for Digitek?

13 A Correct.

14 Q And you agree that Digitek is one of
15 the drugs being inspected by that quality
16 system, so in that way it does affect Digitek?

17 A She's investigating the quality
18 systems for the manufacturing facility that
19 produces Digitek.

20 Q Right. And she has identified a
21 violation of a GMP. And the example that she
22 used to show that the GMP was violated --

23 A Was Digitek.

24 Q -- was Digitek?

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1 A Correct.

2 Q If it was some other product that
3 they make, even if they had said by way of
4 example oxycodone hydrochloride tablets and
5 that was the example, it wouldn't matter
6 because the violation is a general violation
7 that's outlined at the top; right? So it
8 wouldn't have mattered to you --

9 A She's pointing out, yeah, what she
10 observed to be a violation.

11 Q I understand. And if you take a
12 look at Page 45 of 95, now, this issue, this
13 out-of-specification issue goes to -- am I
14 correct in using the term "blend uniformity"?

15 A In the last example?

16 Q Yes.

17 A Yes.

18 Q And blend uniformity is where you're
19 testing to see if the amount of active
20 pharmaceutical ingredient has dispersed evenly
21 in the mixture; is that a good way to put it?

22 A That's a good way to put it.

23 Q And "out of specification" means
24 that a sample that they took did not have the

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1 proper amount of active pharmaceutical
2 ingredient?

3 A It could mean that, but there are a
4 lot of -- there's a lot of debate about the
5 sampling technique playing a role in whether
6 you get an accurate result.

7 Q But as a manufacturer of a product
8 and vice president of quality, you do have
9 limits set high and low of how much active
10 pharmaceutical ingredient can be in a blend
11 uniformity test?

12 A It has to meet the criteria for the
13 finished dose.

14 Q Right. And in this example, it was
15 Digitek that did not have the right amount of
16 digoxin in the test sample; is that correct?

17 A If I can just look at this one more
18 time.

19 Q Certainly.

20 A I don't know all the details here,
21 but -- it's hard to do this with the redacted
22 version. What was the question again?

23 Q Certainly. It discusses a Right-Top
24 sample. You saw that?

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1 A Right.

2 Q And there are several samples from
3 different spots in the mixture. In this case,
4 it was Digitek you're sampling; correct?

5 A Right.

6 Q And your department would look to
7 see if the blend uniformity is correct; is
8 that right?

9 A Correct.

10 Q And the blend uniformity, the out of
11 specification that you're looking for is the
12 percentage of the active ingredient digoxin in
13 the mixture of Digitek; is that correct?

14 A You're -- the purpose of the blend
15 uniformity test is to determine if the active
16 ingredient is uniform throughout the batch.

17 Q And there's a high and low set on
18 that to determine if it's outside?

19 A There's a range, uh-huh, yes.

20 Q And there were out-of-range or
21 out-of-specification findings in these
22 batches?

23 A The one location was out of
24 specification, but you don't stop there. You

1 would have to look into whether that was --
2 what that was caused by because it could be
3 analytical. It could be due to the sampling.
4 It could be due to a number of different
5 things.

6 She's indicating that a
7 manufacturing investigation was not conducted,
8 but something obviously was done because there
9 was additional testing done. So without
10 everything in front of me, I couldn't
11 really -- I don't know the detail as to why
12 they did additional testing and what the
13 outcome of the testing is because all of this
14 is redacted.

15 Q But you agree with the statement
16 that in the finding, in the original findings
17 in the lab, there was an improper amount of
18 digoxin found in the uniformity of blend tests
19 for those three lots?

20 A The analytical result was out of
21 spec; but until you do an investigation and
22 know what happened, you can't definitively say
23 that it's a real result --

24 Q I understand.

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1 A -- it's a valid result.

2 Q But ultimately you'd agree that the
3 CGMP violation that the FDA inspector found to
4 summarize all this was determinations of
5 conformance to appropriate written
6 specifications for acceptance are deficient
7 for in-process materials?

8 MR. DEAN: Object to the form
9 as to "found."

10 Go ahead.

11 THE WITNESS: Her concern here
12 was that this issue didn't extend to
13 looking at the manufacturing process.
14 She's criticizing the fact that a
15 manufacturing investigation wasn't
16 conducted in this instance and that --
17 but it appears, in looking at the rest of
18 this, that there were -- there was some
19 type of investigation related to the
20 laboratory and additional samples were
21 tested.

22 BY MR. MILLER:

23 Q Would you --

24 A As I said, unless I read this whole

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1 thing and have the investigation in front of
2 me, I can't --

3 Q But you would agree with me that if
4 she --

5 MR. DEAN: Wait. Let her
6 finish.

7 MR. MILLER: Oh, I'm sorry. I
8 thought you were.

9 THE WITNESS: I was going to
10 say I can't give you more detail.

11 BY MR. MILLER:

12 Q Right. Okay. Well, you would agree
13 with this general statement, that if she found
14 that issue to be in compliance, she would
15 never have written Observation 4? Obviously,
16 she found a violation of a GMP or she wouldn't
17 have found the observation?

18 A The intent of both the 483 and this
19 report is to report what she observed to be in
20 violation. She's stating what she thinks is a
21 violation and why she thinks it is.

22 Q And that's what she's done here?

23 A And that's what she's done here.

24 Q Fair enough. If we go to Page 45 of

1 95 and blow up that very last sentence at the
2 bottom, it says: "During the inspection, we
3 were provided with a list of products that
4 have been temporarily discontinued. The list
5 includes 'blend uniformity issues' as a reason
6 for the temporary discontinuation in the
7 production of" -- and it goes on to list
8 several drugs.

9 Does this represent the cease of
10 production under the title of stability issues
11 that you discussed?

12 A No.

13 Q No?

14 A Blend uniformity issues are not
15 stability issues.

16 Q So this is above and beyond the
17 stability issues --

18 A This --

19 Q -- or separate and apart from?

20 A Without looking at the exhibit that
21 she's referencing here, I believe this list --
22 we presented several lists during the course
23 of the inspection. But I believe this list
24 was part of the product rationalization that

1 was referred to in some of the earlier
2 discussions.

3 And at that point in time, there
4 were those stop-and-fix-type products; and so
5 there was reasons given for why certain things
6 were discontinued. And in this case, she's
7 just pointing out that these products were
8 temporarily discontinued because of blend
9 uniformity issues.

10 Q As the vice president of quality and
11 compliance, you agree with the statement that
12 digoxin would have been on the stop-and-fix
13 list for out-of-specification violations had
14 it not been for the Class I recall that was
15 already in place?

16 A Absolutely, definitively no.

17 Q Why?

18 A Because there was not a repetitive
19 issue with blend uniformity for digoxin that
20 I -- other than that one observation that I
21 knew of.

22 These products here had on-and-off
23 issues related to some of the testing that
24 were more -- there were more documented issues

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1 regarding this.

2 And there were actually -- in the
3 case of -- and actually in all three cases, we
4 had ceased these products independent of the
5 FDA inspection and were working on
6 reformulating and working with -- in the case
7 of the Chlor-Trimeton and the Drixoral, those
8 were products we manufactured for
9 Schering-Plough. And we had even their folks
10 on board with trying to work on what were some
11 of those issues. So we were --

12 Q When you say "issues," are you
13 talking about some of the GMP violations that
14 pertain to those specific --

15 A No, no. Blend uniformity. Blend
16 uniformity we're talking about here.

17 MR. DEAN: Excuse me. It's
18 about 6 o'clock. Are you about finished?

19 MR. MILLER: I can do it in 15
20 minutes.

21 MR. DEAN: Keep going.

22 BY MR. MILLER:

23 Q Look at Observation 5. Let's go to
24 Page 48 of 95.

1 And it states: "Laboratory controls
2 do not include the establishment of
3 scientifically sound and appropriate
4 specifications and test procedures designed to
5 assure that components, in-process materials,
6 and drug products conform to appropriate
7 standards of identity, strength, quality, and
8 purity."

9 Is that a violation of CGMPs as
10 written?

11 A You do know that this text is
12 pre-written text. It's text that FDA uses to
13 formulate their observations. So that is
14 correct as stated, but it's the example, the
15 "specifically" part, that she -- is her
16 observation.

17 Q Right. But you discussed earlier
18 that the observation is specific to a drug,
19 but the GMP violation --

20 A No.

21 Q -- is general.

22 A No. This is a general -- when FDA
23 does an inspection, if they see something that
24 they believe is not conforming to GMP, they

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1 take that example; and then when they write
2 the 483, they have to point to a regulation
3 that they think it's violating.

4 Q And she's pointing here to the --

5 A This is the regulation that she
6 believes is being violated.

7 Q Right.

8 A But I'm just pointing out that that
9 as written is a standard language that you'll
10 find over and over again in a lot of 483s.

11 Q Right, because --

12 A To make it easier for the
13 investigators, FDA has given them little
14 blurbs that they use.

15 Q A boilerplate?

16 A Right. A template, yes.

17 Q A template. If you violate this
18 GMP, bam, this template gets on there?

19 A Yeah, but they don't always synch
20 up. I think this one's actually a very good
21 example.

22 Q During the inspection, do you agree
23 that she wrote up Actavis, the quality systems
24 department, for this GMP violation? I don't

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1 want to have to read it again, but do you
2 agree that this is a finding of the FDA and
3 this finding is a violation of GMP?

4 MR. DEAN: Objection to form.
5 It's not a finding of the FDA.

6 THE WITNESS: I actually --
7 this is one that I disagree with.

8 BY MR. MILLER:

9 Q Okay. I'm not asking if you agree
10 with it or not.

11 Is this observation a finding of the
12 FDA?

13 A It's a finding of the FDA
14 investigator, yes.

15 Q And do you agree that this finding
16 as written is a violation of GMP? I'm not
17 asking if you agree with it or not. I'm
18 asking if it's, as written, a violation of
19 GMP.

20 A I think it's an interpretation
21 issue. I don't agree that it's a violation of
22 GMP. I'll explain why if you'd like me to.

23 Q Sure, go ahead.

24 A The laboratory was in the Little

1 Falls facility. And the same people and
2 equipment and methods were taken and they were
3 moved across the road into the Totowa
4 facility. And as a matter of an exercise,
5 they used two analytical techniques to show
6 that nothing changed when they moved as
7 opposed to transferring everything and doing a
8 re-qualification of every test method after it
9 moved.

10 So, in other words, they took all
11 the equipment and they re-qualified the
12 equipment; but now they took the people and
13 the methods, and there's something called a
14 method transfer. Rather than doing that for
15 every single method, they took examples and
16 did a few. And it's her opinion that that
17 wasn't enough.

18 Q In your mind, as the vice president
19 of quality and compliance at Actavis, you
20 think it's fine to take the general method,
21 carry it 2 miles to the new lab, and produce
22 multiple products even though you don't have
23 the methods for each one?

24 A We're talking about test methods at

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1 an analytical lab.

2 Q Right. Yes. Did I state that
3 correctly?

4 A I just want to be clear that we're
5 not talking about new product. We're talking
6 about the testing of it.

7 Q Right.

8 A So the equipment was moved; so you
9 would need to do work to show that when you
10 move the equipment, it still works. That was
11 all done.

12 If you had different people there,
13 then I would say you need to do it one by one
14 because now you have new people executing on
15 the other end that you would want to make sure
16 can follow the same method and have the same
17 technique, et cetera.

18 But this was literally the same
19 people going across the street and testing it.
20 So we didn't do it in every case. We only did
21 a small subset of it to show that it was good.
22 And, in her opinion, it wasn't enough.

23 Q And by way of example, a specific
24 method on how to do a particular test for a

1 particular drug would not have been on-site;
2 it would have been at the other facility?

3 A No. It goes -- it's a method. It's
4 written. You follow -- you look at the method
5 and you test it here, or you go down there and
6 you follow it there.

7 Q I'm lost. What was not on-site?
8 What was it that the FDA felt like needed to
9 be there and you didn't think it needed to be
10 there?

11 A That you would go through an
12 exercise with a protocol whereby you would
13 test it here, the same batch, test it here and
14 then test it there and show that the results
15 are the same and -- it's a qualification.
16 It's called test method transfer.

17 There's -- it's a standard practice,
18 but you would typically do that when you're
19 transferring it to another site where it's a
20 totally different site with different people,
21 different equipment, maybe not even your own
22 site; it's a contract site.

23 So in this particular case, it was
24 the same people and the same equipment that

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1 just moved across the road onto the other side
2 of the highway.

3 Q And you agree that the FDA felt that
4 was a violation, but you did not?

5 A To me, it's a matter of an opinion
6 here that it wasn't enough. It's not that we
7 did nothing. It's that what we did they
8 didn't believe to be enough.

9 MR. MILLER: I am going to wrap
10 this up. I don't know if this has been
11 marked as an exhibit or not, but just in
12 case I'm going to mark it 125.

13 MR. DEAN: What is it?

14 MR. MILLER: It is the Mylan
15 quality incident report.

16 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 125
17 was marked for identification.)

18 BY MR. MILLER:

19 Q Ma'am, I'm going to hand you what's
20 been marked Exhibit 125. And it was a
21 document produced by Mylan, specifically
22 Mylan 0016459. And I will assume you probably
23 haven't seen this in the past, but I'll ask
24 you: Have you seen this in the past?

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1 A No, I have not.

2 Q Well, it appears to be a report -- a
3 reporter contact information. It's
4 third-party supplier name, it's Actavis. And
5 if you read through it, I'll represent to you
6 it's contact information where Mike Adams
7 talked to someone at Actavis.

8 And it's not real long. If you take
9 a minute to read, I'd greatly appreciate it.

10 When you're ready for a question --

11 A I'm ready.

12 Q It's prepared on 4/23/08, at least
13 it appears to be. And the phone conversation
14 between Michael Adams at Mylan starts out by
15 saying: Incident description. And it states
16 that verbal notification received from quality
17 director at Actavis Totowa that the FDA has
18 requested a Class I recall of this lot of
19 product.

20 Do you see that?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And what they're talking about here
23 is product name. It goes into Digitek, .125,
24 and goes through -- would you agree with me

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1 that that is the double-thick lot, Lot 70924,
2 Alpha 2?

3 A It's the lot, yes, we've been
4 talking about all day.

5 Q And it goes on to say that the lot
6 had been investigated for double-thick tablets
7 by Actavis. The entire batch was visually
8 inspected, and we heard the story of 15
9 suspect tablets were found out of
10 approximately 4.8 million. The lot was then
11 AQL'd and passed, released to MPI, and
12 subsequently distributed by MPI.

13 Did you have an understanding that
14 Mylan distributed that lot?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And when they say that a
17 notification was received by the quality
18 director at Actavis, who has that title?

19 A There were two. One was Dan Bitler.
20 The other was Tony Castellazzo. I don't
21 know -- my -- Tony Castellazzo typically did
22 not interact with the customer, so the only
23 other quality director would be Dan.

24 Q So as you sit here, if it was your

1 department, you would believe it was Dan
2 Bitler that had to have this --

3 A If they're just referring to the
4 title, I would.

5 Q Fair enough. It says: Actions
6 taken: A conference call with quality
7 director of Actavis was immediately held by
8 MPI quality, procurement, and operations
9 representatives. Actavis explained that this
10 is part of a larger recall of products
11 stemming from an on-site FDA inspection.

12 Would you agree with the language
13 that the quality director of Actavis used,
14 that it's part of a larger recall of products
15 stemming from an on-site FDA inspection?

16 A I would qualify it a bit, but yes.
17 I think there were other recall -- other
18 products recalled as a result of the
19 inspection, and I think he was just basically
20 letting them know that this was an outcome of
21 the FDA inspection.

22 Q And when you say "other products,"
23 we've agreed that it's all products that were
24 made or manufactured at Totowa?

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1 A Well, not at this particular point
2 in time.

3 Q Not at that point in time?

4 A Right.

5 Q But as a result of the inspection,
6 you agree that all products were recalled at
7 Totowa?

8 A Eventually.

9 Q It goes on to say that Actavis
10 committed to gather all relevant data and hold
11 a conference call the next day, April 24th, to
12 provide specific details so that we may take
13 action to recall this lot.

14 Do you recall having -- or do you
15 recall being a part of any conference calls
16 with Mylan regarding the data of this lot or
17 any Digitek information?

18 A Well, this actually sort of relates
19 to the events we talked about earlier. We
20 were originally intending to call -- to recall
21 the one lot. And then on the 24th -- between
22 this conversation and the 24th was that
23 conversation between Mimi Remache and Robert
24 Wessman where it became all lots.

1 So by the time we got to April 24th
2 and talked with Mylan again, it had been
3 expanded to all the Digitek lots, not just
4 one.

5 Q Did the decision to expand it to all
6 lots include the logic that there were serious
7 deficiencies in the GMP department other than
8 the double-thick pills?

9 MR. DEAN: Objection. She's
10 already said that was -- she's testified
11 fully on that, about a discussion between
12 Mimi and Wessman, and she said she
13 doesn't know what went on in that
14 conversation.

15 MR. MILLER: Well, I'm talking
16 about any conversation with anyone.

17 BY MR. MILLER:

18 Q Does the only conversation you've
19 ever had with anyone regarding the recall of
20 Digitek only include the double-thick lots, or
21 would you have discussed the significant
22 deviations from GMP that were found by the
23 FDA?

24 A My discussions with FDA were

1 relative to the one lot. And on that
2 particular day, as I had mentioned earlier,
3 FDA inquired about contacting our CEO in
4 Iceland. And after that conversation, I was
5 told to recall all lots.

6 So I didn't have any conversation.
7 I needed to scramble and recall all lots. So
8 I didn't have a discussion with anybody about
9 the pros and cons. It was pretty much
10 dictated to me that we were doing this.

11 Q As the vice president of quality
12 control and compliance at Actavis, would you
13 agree that the recall of Digitek, if you're
14 looking at the double-thick pills, that there
15 was a larger issue of all the GMP violations
16 that were found in the inspection; and then
17 included in there were the double-thick pills?

18 MR. DEAN: Objection;
19 miscategorizes her testimony.

20 Go ahead.

21 THE WITNESS: I can't say that.
22 I would not agree to that. I think the
23 Digitek issue was in itself an issue. I
24 don't think it had anything to do with

1 anything else going on in the inspection
2 except that they were not happy with what
3 they had seen so far.

4 And so when the Digitek one
5 came along, they took a harsher approach
6 in looking at it and most likely due to
7 the nature of the product, but that's
8 just my opinion.

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q Did they also take a harder look
11 because of the significant GMP issues that
12 were going on in the laboratory?

13 A Her -- no, it had nothing to do with
14 the laboratory.

15 Q I'm sorry. Strike that.

16 A This particular observation had
17 absolutely nothing to do with the laboratory.

18 Q Let me rephrase the question.

19 You agree that there were
20 significant GMP deficiencies found in the
21 quality control system?

22 MR. DEAN: Objection. That's
23 been asked and answered about ten times.

24 MR. MILLER: Well, I'm trying

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1 to get to another answer. I'm asking it
2 again.

3 THE WITNESS: Erin's concern
4 was that it didn't find a definitive
5 cause. So her issue was, if you don't
6 know what caused it, how -- perhaps you
7 don't know it didn't happen with another
8 batch.

9 BY MR. MILLER:

10 Q You're talking about double-thick
11 pills?

12 A Correct.

13 Q I'm not talking about that. Set
14 that aside.

15 She found significant deficiencies
16 in GMPs with the quality control system?

17 A But what I'm saying to you is that's
18 why I don't think that the Digitek had to
19 do -- anything to do with GMP issues. I'm
20 saying that based on what I heard as being
21 Erin's concern was that we didn't -- that we
22 released that batch.

23 She was not happy with -- she felt
24 we could do more before making the decision to

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1 release that batch. And she was complaining
2 about the fact that you didn't find a cause,
3 so you didn't -- you couldn't say that it
4 didn't happen with another batch.

5 Q That's fine. Again, I'm not talking
6 about the double-thick batch at all.

7 Of the other 65 or however many
8 products there were, you agree that all those
9 products were subject to the testing and
10 results of the quality control system that had
11 significant deficiencies; do you agree?

12 A Say that again.

13 Q Yes. There were significant
14 deficiencies in the quality control system at
15 Actavis; we've agreed with that. Do you --
16 right?

17 A Are we talking about Digitek and why
18 it expanded to all lots?

19 Q No, we are not.

20 A We're not talking about that
21 anymore?

22 Q No, we're not. We're not. No.

23 A I'm confused.

24 Q Okay. No, no, no. I'm talking

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1 about --

2 A Now ask me the question again.

3 Q I'll start the same way I started
4 last time.

5 The other products, the other 64 or
6 65 products, they were subject to a quality
7 control system that had significant
8 deficiencies with GMPs; correct? Do you agree
9 with that?

10 A That was the view that FDA took.

11 Q What's different about Digitek? Why
12 is Digitek not lumped in with those other 65
13 products?

14 A Because of the time frame that
15 you're talking about. Digitek was in April,
16 and the 65 products was in July.

17 Q I'm talking about the findings of
18 the 4 --

19 MR. DEAN: Let her finish.

20 THE WITNESS: In April, we had
21 no intention of recalling the other 65
22 products. In April, it was our intention
23 to do the review by PAREXEL of the
24 remaining products and be able to defend

1 to FDA keeping those products on the
2 market.

3 That actually -- that course of
4 events took place. PAREXEL did review
5 those products. We had information to
6 defend those products. We chose not to
7 take that route because FDA would not let
8 us proceed and resume manufacturing until
9 we took action with the product that was
10 remaining on the market. So the decision
11 was made to bite the bullet and bring the
12 rest of the product back. That's why the
13 65 products were recalled in July.

14 BY MR. MILLER:

15 Q So --

16 A If nothing ever happened with
17 Digitek, all of it would have been recalled in
18 July just like everything else because we were
19 at a point where we stopped manufacturing.

20 And FDA would not even grant us a
21 face-to-face meeting to discuss how to move
22 forward until we took action with product in
23 the distribution center and on the market. So
24 we bit the bullet and we conceded and brought

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1 everything back. That's the story. I'm
2 sorry. I get -- I spent ages and ages trying
3 to defend it, and we brought it all back
4 anyway. So I'm very passionate about this
5 topic.

6 BY MR. MILLER:

7 Q It is your testimony today that up
8 to April 24th of 2008, the only product that
9 was being discussed to be recalled was
10 Digitek?

11 A No. It was Digitek and several of
12 the stability-related out-of-spec products.
13 And there's documentation with dates and
14 commitments. And I put everything in writing,
15 so it should be here somewhere, the exhibits
16 that are referred to.

17 MR. MILLER: That's all the
18 questions I have.

19 MR. DEAN: I've got a few
20 questions.

21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We should
22 probably go off the record, and I'll give
23 you a new clip.

24 MR. DEAN: Oh, please. That

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1 would be handy, I guess.

2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the
3 record at 6:23.

4 (Discussion off the record.)

5 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Back on the
6 record at 6:26.

7 BY MR. DEAN:

8 Q Ms. Lambridis, as you know, my name
9 is Richard Dean. I just have what I hope are
10 a few questions for you.

11 I want to direct your attention to
12 Exhibit 91. Do you have that in front of you?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And both Mr. Blizzard and Mr. Miller
15 have asked you questions about the summary
16 paragraph at the beginning, which relates to a
17 2007 inspection; correct?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did Actavis pass that inspection?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And how can you tell that from the
22 document?

23 A Because it says that the inspection
24 was classified as VAI.

1 Q And I think you told I think it was
2 Mr. Blizzard that meant voluntary actions
3 indicated. But could you explain what
4 "voluntary actions indicated" means?

5 A It means that although there were
6 findings that were noted on the 483, that
7 there were corrections that were promised and
8 that the observations were not significant and
9 that we were voluntarily taking action to
10 correct them so there was no dispute over
11 whether -- no dispute by the company -- the
12 company was willing to modify whatever was
13 found to correct it. And in some cases, it
14 may have been corrected even before the close
15 of the inspection.

16 Q That inspection covered all -- did
17 that cover all the six areas you mentioned
18 before?

19 A It indicates here that it covered
20 five. It would not have covered packaging
21 because they don't do packaging, so that would
22 have been the sixth.

23 Q So the five areas that they were
24 evaluating, the FDA gave you a good inspection

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1 on all five areas; correct?

2 A Correct.

3 Q Now, as a consequence of that, was
4 the company able to get new product approved?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And if the FDA had not given you a
7 good rating or passed you, would the company
8 have been able to get new product approved at
9 that time?

10 A No, because prior -- prior to this
11 2007 inspection, the firm was under a warning
12 letter. And then so usually under a warning
13 letter, you would not get new approvals. And
14 there were several that were being held up as
15 a result of that.

16 So after the close of this
17 inspection in September of 2007, they were
18 basically -- we were basically given a clean
19 bill of health, and then the approvals started
20 to come through.

21 Q All right. Now, there's been
22 testimony during the course of the day about
23 certain drugs that had stability issues. You
24 remember that testimony, do you not?

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1 A Yes.

2 Q Was there ever a stability issue
3 with Digitek?

4 A Not that I'm aware of.

5 Q Let's talk about the one lot that
6 we've -- I want to go back and ask you a few
7 questions about the lot that you spoke to
8 Mr. Miller about. Is it fair to say in your
9 discussions with Erin McCaffery that the only
10 issue she ever addressed with you about that
11 one lot was what we have called here today the
12 double-thick issue?

13 A Correct.

14 Q Did she ever raise any other
15 concerns about that particular lot with you
16 other than double thickness?

17 A No.

18 Q Did she ever discuss any other lot
19 that had been shipped out of the facility with
20 you at any time during the course of your
21 discussions with her, of Digitek?

22 A No. The majority of what was
23 discussed related to this lot.

24 Q And was the discussion about double

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1 thick you had, was it limited to this one lot
2 that we've been talking about, 70924?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Do you know what a belt inspection
5 is?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What is it?

8 A I can describe it.

9 Q Very briefly.

10 A It would be described as -- it's a
11 terminology used for when you would visually
12 want to inspect something. So there are firms
13 that may actually have a belt that they put
14 tablets on, but typically it means that the
15 tablets are laid out perhaps on a table like
16 this and inspected, of course not on the table
17 but on trays or on liner paper, what you would
18 normally put product on as product contact
19 surface, clean area to inspect.

20 Q Is a belt inspection an accepted
21 industry standard?

22 A It's accepted as a means for
23 inspection, but it should not be a routine way
24 of doing business. It's usually done on an

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1 exception basis if there's an issue that
2 warrants it.

3 Q The hour is late. I don't want to
4 go through a lot of the documents that we've
5 been through today. But you were shown a lot
6 of documents after -- whose date was after
7 July of 2008 with various comments about
8 production at the facility and standards and
9 goals and investigations. At that point there
10 was no -- as of July 2008, there was no
11 product being made at the facility any longer;
12 is that correct?

13 A We ceased, yes, in July -- prior to
14 July but definitely in July up until, I guess,
15 whenever FDA came back and allowed them to
16 manufacture.

17 Q So I'm thinking specifically about
18 some of the -- kind of the production goals
19 and targets that were referenced in some of
20 those October and November documents. Those
21 were just in hopes of getting back up to
22 manufacturing status; correct?

23 A Those were part of the corrective
24 action plan or the self-assessments that were

1 done that identified what activities we were
2 going to be working on to put the facility in
3 a position to be reinspected.

4 Q Those were your self-imposed
5 standards as opposed to FDA's standards at
6 that point; correct?

7 A Correct.

8 Q You were shown a number of different
9 recall letters, drafts, final versions. And I
10 think there was testimony about getting
11 agreement for the recall letter. Who did you
12 have to get agreement for -- agreement with
13 for the recall letter before it was finalized?

14 A The main group would be FDA. They
15 give the final okay. So it was the three --
16 well, the two companies and FDA.

17 Q In a usual situation where you're
18 just manufacturing yourself and there wouldn't
19 be a distributor like there was here, a
20 company would need to get the approval of the
21 FDA before it sent out a recall letter; right?

22 A Yes.

23 Q They'd have to agree as to the exact
24 wording; right?

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1 A Yes.

2 Q In this case, there were three
3 parties that had to agree on the language;
4 right?

5 MR. MILLER: I'm going to
6 object. You're leading the witness.

7 MR. DEAN: I'm summarizing the
8 testimony you guys have already gotten
9 out.

10 BY MR. DEAN:

11 Q But who had to agree for this recall
12 letter to go out?

13 Do it your way.

14 A The letter was -- the letter for
15 digoxin was sent by Actavis to Mylan. So
16 Mylan didn't necessarily have to agree with
17 what was in our letter; but I believe they did
18 participate, more so in the press release,
19 more so -- Mylan participated more so in the
20 press release than in the letter.

21 But FDA definitely weighs in and
22 will change wording or ask for certain things
23 to be put in or taken out of a recall letter.

24 Q Does the FDA have to approve the

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1 exact words in a recall letter before it goes
2 out?

3 A FDA has to give approval of a final
4 draft, and then we would typically send them
5 back whatever we send out.

6 Q You were asked a number of questions
7 about good manufacturing practice and whether
8 a violation of those might result in a
9 conclusion that a product was adulterated. Do
10 you remember that series of questions?

11 A Yes.

12 Q If a product is deemed adulterated,
13 does that mean that it is unsafe?

14 A Not all the time.

15 Q Why not?

16 A Because as was pointed out in -- I
17 believe when I was speaking to Mr. Miller,
18 when he presented the citation from the Food,
19 Drug, Cosmetic Act, that states that if you
20 violate GMP, it considers a drug to be
21 adulterated. But that violation of GMP could
22 just be because -- it could be a paperwork
23 issue and have nothing to do with the safety
24 and efficacy of the drug. So there have

1 been -- historically in industry there have
2 been recalls for GMP violations that have
3 nothing to do with safety.

4 Q And here we -- I also want to go
5 back. There's been reference during the
6 course of the day to a company called PAREXEL;
7 correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Did PAREXEL have anything to do with
10 studying or being involved with Digitek?

11 A No. PAREXEL came on-site around the
12 same time that this had already been in the
13 works. So PAREXEL's scope was -- did not
14 include Digitek because it was already being
15 recalled.

16 Q And I wanted to go back to what
17 Mr. Miller asked you right at the end of his
18 questions and he got a time line from you.
19 And I think you talked about there were
20 certain drugs with stability issues; correct?
21 There was a group of drugs with stability
22 issues?

23 A Correct.

24 Q Digitek was not one of those drugs;

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1 right?

2 A Correct.

3 Q Then there was Digitek.

4 A Right.

5 Q And then you said then -- what I
6 just described kind of took place in the
7 April/May time frame. And then in July, there
8 were 65 other drugs approximately?

9 A Yes. And there was a group in the
10 middle there, another group.

11 Q And PAREXEL was dealing with those
12 middle and those later groups in July;
13 correct?

14 A Correct.

15 Q And I think you told us it was your
16 belief -- I want to make sure I heard this
17 correctly -- that there was no GMP violation
18 ever found in regard to the batch of Digitek?
19 Strike that.

20 Was it your testimony that there was
21 no GMP violation found on any Digitek
22 manufactured in 2007 and 2008?

23 A I want to be careful how I answer
24 this. There was something that was presented

1 to me today which was on the 483 that was
2 found by Kristy, who was another FDA
3 investigator on-site. She joined the
4 inspection later. And I don't know the detail
5 around that issue. I can't recall all the
6 detail around that issue.

7 With respect to the double thick,
8 again, I believe in part of the earlier
9 testimony, I had indicated that hindsight's
10 20/20. And, you know, could that situation
11 have been handled better in terms of a
12 judgment call? Yes.

13 But in most of the cases here, what
14 FDA is citing as a violation, in some cases
15 it's because, you know, something was
16 investigated but not investigated to the
17 extent that they would have liked to have seen
18 it investigated or it was only a lab
19 investigation and didn't extend to
20 manufacturing. It wasn't a situation where it
21 was a "do nothing."

22 And as I had pointed out, it's a
23 fine line because the GMPs tell you that you
24 need to do certain things, that you need to

1 investigate. It doesn't tell you how. It
2 doesn't tell you to the extent. And so there
3 are certain judgments that are made in putting
4 procedures together. So I'm trying to put
5 that in the context of my answer.

6 Q Let me ask it this way: Did Erin
7 McCaffery want you to recall Digitek because
8 there was a double-thick finding, or did she
9 tell you she wanted it recalled because there
10 was a GMP violation?

11 A Because there was a double-thick
12 tablet.

13 Q Did she ever tell you -- did Erin
14 McCaffery, just putting aside this note by
15 Christine that you mentioned, did Erin
16 McCaffery ever tell you there was a GMP
17 violation with this particular lot of Digitek
18 we've been talking about?

19 A Erin points to the fact that the
20 double signature on the page where Dan signed
21 multiple times as a GMP violation and that's
22 just bad practice, but that's not the reason
23 for recalling the batch.

24 Q Mr. Miller asked you a series of

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1 questions about the lab in the context of the
2 2008 EIR. And I think you said that if I -- I
3 want to go back to -- strike that.

4 Mr. Miller asked you about the lab
5 in regard to the 2008 EIR. Did you have -- do
6 you recall specific discussions with Erin
7 McCaffery about her observations about the lab
8 during that 2008 inspection?

9 A Yes.

10 Q What do you recall?

11 A There were several conversations
12 with Erin about the lab. And as I indicated,
13 she looked at the lab because the lab was
14 already in the Riverview facility and -- it
15 was a new lab -- and was happy with what she
16 saw there.

17 She was -- also made several
18 comments about how the lab had improved based
19 on her knowledge of prior inspections because
20 she had inspected there several times in the
21 past, and she was also aware of the prior
22 inspection that -- in 2006 that was mainly
23 focused on the lab; at least most of the 483
24 items were focused on the lab.

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1 Q So is it fair to say that her
2 concern in the 2008 EIR inspection process was
3 the QA group?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And she did not express a concern to
6 you during all your interactions with her
7 about the lab, did she?

8 A Correct.

9 Q Now, in the EIR -- and, again, it's
10 Exhibit 91 and it's right there in front of
11 you -- there are observations that are listed;
12 correct?

13 A Yes. They typically would write the
14 observations.

15 Q I'm just looking, for example,
16 Page 48. Let's just turn to Page 48 as an
17 example. Is the -- first of all, what is an
18 observation generally?

19 A An observation is the
20 investigator's -- what the investigator
21 observed during their inspection.

22 Q Is an observation a finding of the
23 FDA?

24 MR. MILLER: Objection; asked

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1 and answered.

2 BY MR. DEAN:

3 Q Go ahead.

4 A The 483 document itself, the form,
5 has a disclaimer on the top that basically
6 states that it's the view of the investigator
7 and not necessarily the opinion of the FDA.

8 Q And you said -- you told Mr. Miller
9 that these observations, the actual language
10 of the observation were pre-written; is that
11 right?

12 A There's -- I can't remember the name
13 of the computerized system that FDA has that
14 it's currently using. But the investigators
15 often complain about it, and so I became a
16 little familiar with it.

17 There were complaints over the years
18 about inconsistencies with how different
19 districts and different investigators were
20 approaching FDA inspections and that there was
21 too much variance in opinion and so forth.

22 So in an effort to standardize it,
23 they chose to standardize certain language and
24 made it a requirement that when an

1 investigator is going to cite something on a
2 483, that they have to cite something that
3 relates back to a specific GMP violation. And
4 then what they did was they took those GMP
5 sections and wrote standard language for each
6 of it so that the investigator just pulls it
7 and inserts it into the document. That's my
8 best way of describing it.

9 Q And here's my question: Is every
10 observation that's in Exhibit 91, the
11 language, is every single observation
12 pre-written language?

13 A The first part is -- from what I can
14 tell is. It's the "specifically" part or the
15 numbered parts, like the A, B, C parts are
16 specific to the company. The others you would
17 probably find very similar language in other
18 people's -- or other companies.

19 Q Just so I'm clear, for example, the
20 language on Page 48, Observation 5, you
21 know -- I don't know how many observations
22 there are, but Observations 1 through 5
23 through however many we get up to here, that
24 language that's under observation, all of

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1 those would be pre-written; correct?

2 A That is -- yes.

3 Q Mr. Miller asked you about Page 46
4 of that document, if you could turn to that.
5 And he was asking you about some drugs where
6 there were blend uniformity issues. Did
7 Digitek ever have any consistent blend
8 uniformity issues?

9 MR. MILLER: Objection.

10 BY MR. DEAN:

11 Q Go ahead.

12 A Not that I'm aware of.

13 Q Digitek is not listed on Page 46, is
14 it?

15 A Actually, it is. But I can tell you
16 why.

17 Q Okay. Go ahead.

18 A There was a discussion about blend
19 uniformity specifications. And I don't know
20 where we would find it in here.

21 Q Do you remember what the discussion
22 was?

23 A Right. Blend uniformity
24 specification -- blend uniformity is -- you

1 need to establish -- it's a requirement that
2 you establish that your blends are uniform.
3 You base that -- your specification on your
4 finished-product specifications.

5 But over the years, the manner in
6 which you do that testing -- sampling and
7 testing has changed, so there's been recent
8 guidance documents that were issued telling
9 you -- giving you more leeway in setting the
10 blend specifications.

11 And what had happened during this
12 inspection is that Erin and Kristy had both
13 noted that certain specifications for blends
14 had changed. And when they questioned it, it
15 was the outcome of either letters from FDA
16 indicate -- for new products that were being
17 approved indicating that you set the
18 specifications differently and other
19 conversations with FDA.

20 And this actually points to
21 something I was mentioning earlier where we
22 were getting one set of information from the
23 center, which is Washington, D.C., office of
24 FDA. And then the local district folks were

1 coming in and questioning it, but it was their
2 own agency. So we had sort of a -- Erin had
3 her opinion about how it should be done, and
4 we were following direction coming out of the
5 Washington, D.C. office.

6 Long story, but in this particular
7 case, it says here: Despite noted blend
8 uniformity issues, in-process blend uniformity
9 specifications for many products were changed
10 from individual RSD to average. Current
11 in-process blend specifications for the
12 following products are listed.

13 So that -- digoxin is listed in that
14 list because of that issue and is listed in
15 this list by FDA. We did not put digoxin in
16 this list.

17 Q This is a list for the --

18 A Where the specifications had
19 changed.

20 Q Had changed, okay. So let's go back
21 to where we started. As far as that, there
22 were some products, I take it from your
23 testimony today to Mr. Miller, where there had
24 been blend uniformity issues; correct?

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1 A Yes.

2 Q And is it fair to say that Digitek
3 was historically not one of those in that
4 category?

5 A To my knowledge, correct.

6 MR. DEAN: I think that's all I
7 have. Thank you.

8 MR. MILLER: I've got a couple
9 follow-up.

10 MR. DEAN: Do you want to
11 switch?

12 MR. MILLER: No. That's fine
13 if that's okay with you.

14 MR. DEAN: Sure.

15 BY MR. MILLER:

16 Q Ma'am, you were just asked about out
17 of specifications for blend uniformity,
18 specifically Digitek. And the section that
19 we're looking at in Exhibit 91 was the list of
20 products on Page 46.

21 And if you turn pages backwards,
22 you'll notice that this is a write-up that
23 goes to Observation 4. Would you agree with
24 that? You can go backwards page by page until

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1 you get to Observation 4.

2 A Well, Observation 4 had several
3 parts.

4 Q Agreed. But would you agree with me
5 that this is a part of Observation 4, what
6 we're looking at, the list on Page 46? Is it
7 part of the write-up for Observation 4?

8 A Well, 4c. If you look at 4C, it
9 says: Although approximately -- blank --
10 products were temporarily discontinued due to
11 blend and/or content uniformity issues, there
12 was no scientific rationale provided for the
13 change of in-process blend uniformity specs.

14 MR. MILLER: Yes, ma'am. And I
15 object because it's not responsive and I
16 move to strike.

17 BY MR. MILLER:

18 Q My question is very simple. Is it
19 part of Observation 4, not so much the content
20 of what it says, but this is a continuation of
21 Observation 4; is that a fair statement?

22 A 4c.

23 Q Yes. We --

24 A Because 4a --

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1 Q Right.

2 A -- is substantiated here.

3 Q 4c is part of --

4 A And then 4b is substantiated here.

5 And then 4c is substantiated here.

6 Q Is 4c part of 4?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Thank you. And you agree that
9 Observation 4 starts out with the GMP
10 violation which we discussed at length and
11 which boils down to -- or "the template" is
12 the term you like to use, determinations of
13 conformance to appropriate written
14 specifications for acceptance are deficient
15 for in-process materials.

16 Do you agree that Observation 4,
17 once again, is a violation of a GMP?

18 A Which part?

19 Q The sentence I just read.

20 MR. DEAN: That's an
21 observation.

22 THE WITNESS: The sentence you
23 read is an observation.

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1 BY MR. MILLER:

2 Q Is that observation outlined in the
3 finding of an FDA inspector for a violation of
4 a GMP as described?

5 A That's the violation she believe --
6 that's the GMP regulation that she believes is
7 being violated.

8 Q Thank you. And the specific example
9 goes to three lots of Digitek that were not
10 the double-thick lots that had issues with out
11 of specifications during blend uniformity
12 testing; do you agree?

13 A That's the -- one of the examples
14 that she uses here, yes.

15 Q One of them.

16 A Correct.

17 Q And going to that -- well, you were
18 just asked by Mr. Dean about pre-written
19 observations. You'd agree with me that these
20 pre-written observations don't wind up on a
21 report unless they find a violation; they're
22 triggered by a violation; correct?

23 MR. DEAN: Object to the form.

24 Go ahead.

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1 THE WITNESS: The requirement
2 for the investigator is if they have a
3 finding, they have to tie it to what they
4 believe to be the GMP regulation that
5 it's violating.

6 BY MR. MILLER:

7 Q If there were no violations of blend
8 uniformity or out of specifications with
9 stability or blend uniformity, then there
10 would be no pre-written template; is that
11 correct?

12 A Just to be clear, blend uniformity
13 is not a -- there's nowhere in the GMPs that
14 says you have to do blend uniformity --

15 Q Okay.

16 A -- specifically. I believe her
17 issue here had to do with -- okay. She's
18 talking about in process. I'll take that
19 back. Different context. Okay.

20 Q But in the context of how she uses
21 it, she had to find that violation before the
22 pre-written language was used; correct? The
23 pre-written language just don't show up; she's
24 got to find a violation first; correct?

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1 A She has a finding; and, yes, in
2 order for her to -- in order for her to put it
3 on the -- the criteria would be for her to tie
4 it back. If it's not tied back to a GMP
5 regulation, then the chances are that her
6 supervisor won't allow her to cite it.

7 Q But the pre-written language that
8 we've discussed at length is not an option to
9 her; once the violation is found, then she
10 decides what pre-written language fits the
11 observation; correct?

12 A Once the observation is found, she
13 has to find the pre-written language, correct.

14 Q Thank you. You were asked if you
15 passed the -- or Actavis passed the 2007
16 inspection. I believe you said that you did;
17 correct?

18 A Yes.

19 Q But you agree that there were GMP
20 violations observed during that inspection?

21 A There were 483 observations at the
22 end of that inspection. It said so in this
23 report.

24 Q Right. And those 483 observations,

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1 you would agree, were GMP violations?

2 A I'm going to give you the same
3 answer I've been giving for everything. It's
4 the investigator's observations that they
5 believe are violations of GMP.

6 Q Thank you. Did you pass the
7 May 2008 inspection?

8 A No.

9 Q And there are different levels of --
10 would you say you failed that inspection? Is
11 that one way to put it?

12 A That inspection was not VAI.

13 Q It was not voluntary?

14 A It was OAI.

15 Q Which is?

16 A I think if it's -- it might be in
17 here. I don't know. OAI is official action
18 indicated, which means that more severe action
19 was taken as a result of that inspection.

20 Q And if you're going to use the term
21 you passed the one in 2007, would you agree
22 with the term you failed the one in 2008?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Does a failed inspection result in

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1 an unsafe product?

2 A Not always.

3 Q Not always because you said --
4 correct me if I'm wrong -- that sometimes a
5 recall can be done because of paperwork
6 issues. Would you agree with me that the
7 recall for Digitek had nothing to do with
8 paperwork issues?

9 A For the one batch, yes. For all
10 batches, no.

11 MR. MILLER: That's all I have.

12 MR. DEAN: Pete, it will take
13 me one and a half minutes here. Then
14 we'll be done.

15 BY MR. DEAN:

16 Q I want to direct you back.
17 Mr. Miller asked you a couple questions about
18 Observation 4. Is it fair to say that the
19 observations in 4a and 4c are two different --
20 two different fact patterns being discussed?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And it's the fact pattern in c that
23 you testified is as a result of specifications
24 being changed over the course of time; is that

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1 correct?

2 A Yes.

3 Q And so I go back to my question.

4 This took place in -- these observations took
5 place in 2008, correct, that we're looking at
6 in --

7 A Yes.

8 Q Historically before 2008, were there
9 blend uniformity issues with Digitek?

10 A Not that I'm aware of.

11 MR. DEAN: Thank you.

12 MR. MILLER: That's it. Thanks
13 for your time.

14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: That
15 concludes this videotaped deposition.
16 The time is 7:01.

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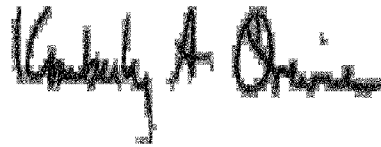
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